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christmas

to you &
the journal

from the Tradesmen of
Crows Nest Pass



In a Spirit of Joy We Say---"A Merry Christmas"

Christmas Cheer

To you and yours in our community may this indeed be a Christmas of hearty good cheer. At this season we pause to give our patrons for the assurance that have given us in the successful pursuit of our business and to assure them that we shall strive to serve in even more complete ways.

Coleman Motors

J. GREEN, Proprietor



Yuletide Cheer

We wish to extend our most sincere good wishes for Yuletide cheer to our fellow-townsmen and to those strangers that may be in our midst.

HENRY ZAK

COLEMAN - BELLEVUE

Peace on Earth — Good Will To All

It is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the past year has been justified by the service we have rendered and that our services may be important to warrant your continued good-will through the years to come. To all — A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

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For Prosperity . . .

OUR wish for you, and you, and you—for all our fellow citizens in this Christmas season—is prosperity, happiness and all the good things of life.

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The Season's Greetings To You

AND APPRECIATION OF YOUR VALUED FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD-WILL.

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To our customers and to our fellow merchants, to our friends and to strangers we wish good fortune, happiness and good health.

Modern Electric
Everything Electrical

For Happy Holidays

OF words there are many, and the thoughts they can express are legion, yet none can be more sincere than our simple wish to you for a Merry Christmas, Good Health and Prosperity.

Coleman Co-Operative Association
JOE KAPALKA, Manager.

A Thought For You

REAT good cheer, prosperity, health and glad tidings—we wish them all to everyone in this season of peace and good will toward all men.

Sanitary Dairy
Pete DeGroot, Proprietor



Our Very Best Wishes to You

WE here and now send our very best wishes to you for a Merry Christmas, good cheer, happiness and the best of health.

West End Meat Market

STEVE SISKA, Proprietor.
Phone 291-1

WEST COLEMAN

THE REFORM OF MISS MINNIS

(A Christmas Story)
By NELLIE L. MCCLUNG
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Miss Minnis knew that the girls in the office talked about her. She even knew the nickname they had given her and did not resent it. Indeed she thought it had some degree of shyness. They were clever, these shrill youngsters, with their much curled hair and scarlet fingernails, but she had made up her mind to be to them what they wanted more since the girls had made it so plain that they didn't want her. Her face burned with the memory. She had gone to one of their luncheons, though she could not very well afford the seventy-five cents it cost. It was their custom to make a ten cent pool with everyone's name put in the box. When the box was opened it was called "the box" — Miss Minnis, but there was not a hand-clap just a gasp of surprise. No one told her that they were glad she had won it. Her first impulse was to refuse the money, but decided to turn it over to the Red Cross. For the two following days she did without her lunch to make up her losses.

And so Miss Minnis kept to her own desk during working hours, ate her lunch at her desk, went to her little room at night, where, well wrapped in shawls, she did Red Cross knitting until nine o'clock—then filled her hot water bottle at the tap in the hall, thankful if the hot water was even "cat-warm," and so to sleep.

It was not much of a life for Minnies Minnis, who had been educated at Bishop Strachan's School in Toronto, came to be taught by Bishop of Columbia in the Cathedral, and was still the owner of the old Minnis house in Esquimalt, B.C. With the coming of Christmas Miss Minnis felt more and more lonely. One fine bright day, when the sparkles on the sea made her eyes wink behind her thick glasses, she walked by her inheritance. It was not often that she got up her courage to enter her old home. Some new sacrifices were to meet her eye. On this day she went in and found one of her tenants scrubbing the back steps, with a needlepoint cushion for a kneeling pad. She recognized it as one of her childhood treasures, rescued it, and brought it back to her room. It was a Christmas cushion, with Santa Claus and his reindeer in gay colours, riding down a snowy road, with a full sleigh full of gifts. Tremendously dirty, the cloth scrub water the pattern dulled, it seemed an allegory of her own life.

She should have sold the old place with everything in it, she knew now. There was no use in trying to hold the past. It had been a great mistake to rent her house furnished, allowing the beautiful things her parents had cherished to be used by people who did not know their value. She had acted on the advice of a woman who had been her father's lawyer and divided the house into four apartments. The district that had once been one of the best in the city, had gone steadily down, and the people who lived in her apartments now seemed determined on their destruction. They were the typical renters. They struck matches, they would drag furniture over the hardwood floors, burned holes in the rugs.

Miss Minnis collected the rents herself, or at least she tried to, but none of her tenants paid regularly and it became hard for her to raise the six hundred dollars for taxes. There was always a fear in her heart that she would fall sick and the house would go into court. Then a mighty stroke by a motor car, and he months in the hospital, and the city would sell the house for the taxes, and all her father's books and her mother's paintings would be sold under the hammer, and even the name of Minnis would be obliterated from the gate posts.

Up to the present she had kept the taxes paid, but it cut deeply into the seventy-five dollars a month that she received from the department store where she worked.

"It is neither a pleasure or a profit to me," Miss Minnis said one day as she finished her work. She stayed behind to do some extra work and there was no one with her in the office but Billy, the junior whose desk was next to hers and he looked up in surprise. "Did you speak to me, Miss Minnis?" he asked.

Miss Minnis actually blushed. "I'm afraid I was talking to myself," she stammered. "It's a bad sign and I'm ashamed to admit it."

"Gosh, Miss Minnis," Billy said timidly, "I wish you would talk

to me. I work here beside you every day and you never even look at me. I began to wonder if you were thinking I should be in the Army."

"Oh, Billy," she answered, "I'm not a bit like that. I'm too lonely and miserable to sit in judgment on anyone. I was just feeling so sorry for myself I could break down and cry. I'm a poor old grey horse on a tread-mill. I can't stop and there's no fun in going on."

The new clerk stared at her in surprise. "Why should you feel like this, Miss Minnis?" he asked. "What have you got to worry over?"

"For one thing," she said, "you must know that the girls here do not like me. They leave me out of everything—their games, their problems—everything. They call me 'Pale and Proud.' I hear them and they don't care if I die. I've worked here for five years and I haven't a friend, and no one can live without friends. I've found out that when you're alone you know, but lived most of my life in the East—came back here at thirty-five, and my friends were all gone or married and my father and mother were both dead. I had to work, for my people had lost everything but the old house, and I was very glad to get a job here." Then she stopped her confession. "I don't know why I'm so sad and grieved on you, Billy. It must be just because you have a friend just because I haven't talked this much for a month."

"You have a nice face yourself, Miss Minnis," Billy said gallantly, "if you would only smile once in a while. Now I want to tell you that I've been reading a book about people who get in a rut, and this book says the way to get out of a rut is something different—take a ride on a roller coaster, get a new hat, redder your fingernails, but do something new. It says that you can start a whole new series of influences to work that may change your life. You should try that, Miss Minnis."

Billy was called away then and Miss Minnis went on invoicing. But that night she thought of what Billy had said. She certainly couldn't speak to him as a friend, and as a matter of principle she wouldn't redder her fingernails, but she could give a present to the only people to whom a present could be given without explanation. The Christmas cushion could be washed and put on a new form—there was not a hole in it. She intended to wash it anyway, for it had been done by her grandmother, and was a beautiful piece of work. She would give it to the Red Cross secretary when she was talking in her knitting.

When the cushion was completed, with new cord and a new back, Miss Minnis was proud of her salvage work—the colours had come back wonderfully—she even bought a little box of Indian water to spruce it up, and white tissue paper and silver ribbon for its wrapping, and a Christmas card to go with it. Then her old shyness came back, and she wondered if any person but herself would see beauty in it. However the Red Cross get many queer presents, and if the secretary didn't wish to keep it for herself, she could sell it to the Sunday School Store.

The Christmas cushion was received with enthusiasm by Mrs. Yardley. "I'll put it in the window," she said, "to attract customers. It's just the thing to catch the eye of the Christmas shopper. But how can you part with it when it was your grandmother's work? If I had a grand mother who could make as pretty a picture as this, I'd be so proud there'd be no living without it. Have you more of her work?"

Before Miss Minnis knew it she had told Mrs. Yardley the whole story—all about the old house, the tenants who would not pay, who left the night, the people who let their wash basin overflow, the plumbers' bills, the desperate struggle to keep the taxes and heat paid. And the last part of it all is that the place where I work is not like me. They never speak to me if they can help it. I know I am old—I'll be forty next month—I wear thick glasses and dull clothes, but I am so poor, what else can I do? I live on less than twenty dollars a month. People in jail are happier than I am. I have no money, no home."

Mrs. Yardley reached over and took her hand. "Miss Minnis," she said, "I know you now. My girl works in the same office. Do you know the one with a boyish bob and black eyes, called Anne Yardley? It is true that the girls call you 'Pale and Proud' and they

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With Heartiest Greetings

THE Spirit of Christmas would be missed entirely if we did not express a "thank you" to those who have helped us with their patronage. May we join you many friends in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

H. C. McBurney



For Health

MAY you all have the great happiness and the prosperity that goes with the most robust good health.

Coleman Cafe

"THE BEST PLACE FOR EATS"

To the People of Coleman and District we extend

Season's Greetings

and invite them to visit our show-rooms and view the new 1941 Chevrolet. First because its finest.

Crows Nest Pass Motors

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CHEVROLET and OLDSMOBILE DEALERS
WESTINGHOUSE RADIOS



Good Luck, Health

EXTENDING to our Customers and Friends best Holiday Greetings and many thanks for your business during the past year.

Toppano & DeCecco

GROCERY STORE

To Our Customers

THAT Every Happiness be Yours this Christmas and throughout the New Year is the sincere wish of

Coleman Meat Market

N. Burtnik, Proprietor

At Christmas . . .

MAX Santa Claus bring you not only material things, but the most permanent and lasting good things of life — health, happiness, prosperity and a keen zest for living. Merry Christmas.



Pattinson's Hardware Store

Christmas Greetings

THE Spirit of Christmas would be missed entirely if we did not express a "thank you" to those who have helped us with their patronage. May we join you many friends in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Rialto Pool Room



Health and Happiness

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend to all in this best Christmas season of many long years.

Dr. R. K. Lillie
Dentist

Christmas Greetings

AND ALL GOOD WISHES FOR YOUR HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY IN THE NEW YEAR.

New Year of happiness to our patrons.

Webster's

"The Value Store"
Main Street, Coleman

What Chew gives the most value?

THAT'S EASY
-BIG BEN!

BIG BEN
The PERFECT Chewing Tobacco

Yes—Always

For many years and perhaps at no time in history have the words of any song so stirred the imagination of the people of this country as "There'll Always Be An England," the current popular melody, the tune and the words with which it is associated, so strongly, deeply and completely integrated with the war for liberty and freedom.

The song is destined to go down in history as a classic. When the story of this war, the most important, the most far-reaching in its effects and influence on the destiny of the world, comes to be written in clear perspective, this song will be woven into the warp and woof of the tale. No history of this war will be complete without some reference to it, because of the profound influence it has had, is having and will have upon the attitude of the Canadian people towards the conflict in which they are now engaged.

When "There'll Always Be An England" first began to seep into the public consciousness it was immediately accepted as epigrammatic of the fine spirit with which the people of Britain are tackling an heroic task. Audiences experienced a glow of admiration for the people of the "tight little isle" as they took up the refrain with enthusiasm, but, at first, the warmth that it engendered conveyed a note of detachment, the enthusiasm of a spectator witnessing some magnificent achievement, rather than that of a participant.

But this note changed into something deeper and greater as the fight for Britain intensified, as the realization grew in the minds of the people of this country that it is their battle that is being waged in the skies over the little island and in the waters that surround it, that victory is as essential to us as it is to them.

As the conviction grew that the truth behind "There'll Always Be An England" was broad enough to embrace and, in fact, does embrace the sons and daughters of Britain throughout the Empire, the words assumed a new meaning for the people of this country and presently the refrain rolled out with added grandeur of fervor, the fervor that comes with dedication to a great cause which touches intimately the lives and the very existence of the singers.

All of which indicates that this process of conviction, that this is just as much our war as it is Britain's war, is somewhat slow and it is essential that it be speeded up if we desire when victory is to crown our efforts to be brought to the earliest possible date. The importance of the greatest possible victory can scarcely be over-emphasized. The more profitably it is, the greater will be the waste of lives, resources and treasure and the nearer the approach to exhaustion.

Full Participation

In Great Britain now, an "all out" war is being waged. It is equally important that Canada's participation be on the same scale and effort intensified to the same degree. In Great Britain it is "tears and blood and toil and sweat." In this country the war effort must likewise be attuned to equality of sacrifice with those over there who are being bombed out of their homes, if we are to do our share in the preservation of our great heritage.

What does that involve? It means nothing for us who at present sleep securely in our beds at night and eat our fill three times a day, unless we are making real sacrifices; unless we are giving or lending every penny that can be spared from absolute necessities to purchase ships and tanks, arms and munitions, food and supplies to back up the greater sacrifices being made by our own sons who have gone forth to battle and our kith and kin on the other side of the Atlantic who are doing and dying for the preservation of our rights, our privileges, our liberties.

If we are not doing all this and more, we are not yet pulling our full weight in the boat. Vigorous strokes of the oar and full sweep are called for on the part of all if victory is to be won as speedily as possible. Even then it may be a long time before we can say "Our task is done and well done." With those in the forefront of the battle we may have to endure tears and blood, toil and sweat for some time to come, but the greater intensity we put into it, the sooner it will be over, the sooner we will be able to set about the business of rehabilitation and the reconstruction of a world fit to live in.

Yes, There'll Always Be An England. We know that. It must be an England whose glories we can always share, whose burdens we have helped to ease to the full extent of our abilities and whose traditions will always be our traditions.

A Real Treat

You Have Tried Making Ice Cream At Home Lately?

If you haven't, you've missed a treat because making ice cream at home can be so simple and economical, during the cold winter months. Get a package of Jell-O Ice Cream powder from your grocer. You are sure to be delighted with the superb ice cream you can make, in a few minutes, by simply adding sugar and rich milk or cream and using your window sill for a freezer.

Just think what this means too, easily make ice cream for desserts, parties, social and special treats for the kiddies.

And here's a tip for grocers! Stock up now with all five delicious flavours. Your customers will be asking for Jell-O Ice Cream Powder which is being regularly advertised.

Prisoners of war in Europe number 2,600,000 according to an estimate believed conservative.

The world's largest Swiss cheese factory is located at Antigo, Wisc., and not in Switzerland.

GIFT OF SPITFIRE

Gift of a Spitfire fighter plane for the defence of Britain, donated by the management and employees of the Parker Fountain Pen Company, Limited, has been accepted by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, according to a cable received at Toronto. Employees of the firm volunteered to donate a day's work each as their share. This idea of large organizations donating fighter planes is growing, and is very welcome indeed to the Old Country.

A polar bear, says Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, has partly webbed toes, and huge flat feet which serve both as paddles and snowshoes.

Children gain weight more rapidly in autumn and winter than in spring and summer, but gain height faster in spring and summer.

Roman roads built before the birth of Christ now are lighted by electricity.

The earth gets less than a two-billionth part of the energy radiated by the sun.

Rescue Work

Group Of Army And Navy Officers From London Rescue Squad

Bored with inactivity, a group of army and navy officers formed their own air raid rescue squad, went out during the nightly raids and brought to safety many men and women trapped in the basements or shelters. In one case, they led a party which saved three women from a basement.

Two of the squad were in the Royal Navy and another was a submarine lieutenant home on leave. One was from South Africa, another in the Royal Naval Reserve and the company included two Americans who went to London with the Canadian Active Service Force. They "wangled" a truck and rescue tackle and got to work.

"We started this business partly because life is so dull for us on leave here and partly for a more serious reason," an engineer officer said. "Our serious reason was that we felt the existing rescue service could usefully be supplemented by other technical knowledge and equipment."

"We wanted to show that if more army equipment were made available there were plenty of us willing and able to use it for rescue work in their spare time. I could guarantee to get between 600 and 700 men to work in rescue parties."

"We have been helped by Dominion soldiers. There are hundreds of Canadian, Australian and New Zealand men just aching for a chance to do something."

Their work one night enabled a street to be opened. Bombs had hit a church, burying the verger and his wife in the ruins. They worked four hours removing debris. The verger saved the wife but found the body dead.

One of the volunteer squad was shell-shocked in France and when given leave was told to avoid London because the excitement might be bad. He's wondering what the doctors would say if they knew how he had spent several nights.

Like Canadian Bacon

Bacon From Canada Is Well Received In Britain

Bacon from Canada is pleasing the English palate, but the other half of the inseparable breakfast combination is mighty scarce at the British table, according to housewives arriving in Canada from Britain.

"Eggs are worth their weight in gold," declared one woman. Another said she had not seen an egg for weeks. A third claimed eggs were almost impossible to buy unless one knew a farmer.

Totally Canada had this year shipped more than 10,000,000 dozen eggs to the United Kingdom, against a record yearly export of 1,000,000 dozen, thus hazard a guess that the British Ministry of Food was probably holding the eggs in storage.

But, even lacking the eggs, the Canadian bacon stands ace-high with the Britons. "It's not like what we had in the last war," said an old soldier. "After 1918 I didn't touch bacon for 10 years."

SELECTED RECIPES

PIRATE BARS

14 Christie's Graham Wafers
1½ teaspoon salt
3 cups dates

3 eggs, well beaten
1½ teaspoons baking powder

1 cup chopped nut meats
1 cup brown sugar

Crumble wafers fine and mix with

salt and baking powder and add

chopped pitted date and beat

eggs well. Mix together and

combine the two mixtures, mixing thoroughly. Turn into well buttered

skillet pan. Bake in moderate oven (400 degrees F.) 20-25 minutes. Cut in bars while warm. Twelve to sixteen bars. Preparation 12 minutes.

CHOP SUEY

2 cups boiling water

3 bouillon cubes

3 tablespoons Soya Sauce

1 pound ground fresh pork

½ cup flour

½ cup mushrooms

3 cup sliced onion

3 cups sliced carrots

¾ cup hominy butter

4 cups Kellogg's Rice Krispies

Pour boiling water over bouillon cubes and Soya sauce to make stock.

Brown meat well in heavy frying pan,

blend in flour and remaining stock.

Add mushrooms and mushroom juice, onion and celery.

Cover and cook slowly about 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Stir in hominy butter and melted

rice Krispies. Serve hot Chop Suey around a mound

of rice Krispies. Yield: Four servings.

A New York physician states that

a young child's appetite naturally

slumps when growth rate decreases

in the second and third year.

The plaited Saturn's nine moons do

not all move in the same direction.

Depends On Imports

Great Britain Grows Only Ten Per Cent. Of Onions Used

Onions are rapidly disappearing from the shops, or are being sold at such prohibitive prices that cooks can no longer afford to purchase her great stand-by. Yet in theory the onion will grow anywhere though every allotment-holder has his doubts regarding this.

Official figures support the view that onions are not easily to grow. It is estimated that only 10 per cent. of the onions used in Great Britain are home grown, that one per cent. come from various corners of the Empire, and that we rely on foreign producers for the remaining 89 per cent.

One ton per cent. represents a mere 6,600 tons out of our total annual consumption of approximately 225,000 tons.

Onions, apart from potatoes, are the only vegetable considered worthy of special mention in official returns.

Carrots, cabbages and all other vegetables are grouped together under the comprehensive title of "other vegetables." In the course of a year imports of onions are valued at about £2,000,000.

To-day nearly all the old sources of supply of onions are closed. Holland was the main contributor with about 100,000 tons a year. Spain used to supply about half this quantity, but since the Civil War her exports to this country have fallen to 10,000 tons a year.

Italy, Portugal and the Channel Islands formerly made up a large share of our imports, but all these sources have been closed.

Only one real friend remains. That is Egypt, which has consistently supplied about one-quarter of our total requirements, or nearly 60,000 tons of onions a year. These are still arriving though transport difficulties are adding to the price and causing delay in delivery.

Last year we paid the foreigner £2,000,000 for our onions. The money is still available and will be gladly paid to any country which likes to seize the opportunity of capturing a valuable market. —London Evening News

Childish Habit

Easy Solution For Parents To Prevent Thumb Sucking

Parents would do more for their thumb-sucking offspring by seeking a psychological substitute for the habit. That is the belief of Dr. George W. Teuscher, assistant professor of child dentistry at Northwestern University.

In studying 173 children with the habit he found that all but three suffered from deformities of the lips, jaws and teeth, he reports in the Journal of the American Dental Association.

The easiest solution for parents is to prevent formation of the habit, but where thumb-sucking is already being practiced, mechanical contrivances sometimes are effective in checking it.

Dr. Teuscher would prefer, however, that parents study the individual child to determine the best "psychological formula" for correction, even though this approach frequently involves parents' education in child development.

Teach children healthier habits, Dr. Teuscher says, and some 18 percent of the mouth deformities in the United States eventually will be eliminated.

U.S. Navy

Germans Form A Large Number Of Enlisted Men

A United States navy department report showed that except for the Philippines, Canada and Guam, Germany furnished more foreign-born enlisted men in the navy than any other country. The following closely behind Germany.

The Philippines led the list of foreign born with 1,878, a decrease of 115 from the previous year. Canada provided 611, an increase of 122, and Guam 557, an increase of 152.

Germany's total of 231 was an increase of 48 over the previous year, Italy 218, an increase of 53.

Business Seems Good

Mint At Denver, Colorado, Working At Capacity

Having "trouble" making enough money? So is the Denver mint. Although it is working at capacity—three shifts seven days a week—the mint is behind on treasury orders for the first time since the First World War. Mint officials attribute the increased demand for coins to Christmas shopping, tax paying, more coin machines in use and generally better business.

Bank Heads, Confident of Victory, See New Problems, New Opportunities Facing Canadians

BANK OF MONTREAL'S 123rd ANNUAL MEETING

Culminating a comprehensive review of the Canadian business scene, an addresser to his countrymen to "work ever harder for the Bank to keep our house in order." Hunter R. Drummond, in his presidential address, at their annual meeting yesterday, declared: "When the war comes, enormous new tasks, new problems and, greatest of all, new opportunities will confront us."

The president said that the Canadian bank at present is the center of a wave from a business viewpoint, with employment higher than in any previous period and industrial output on a swiftly rising basis, it must be admitted. He declared, therefore, that "it behoves us all, while contributing to the utmost the prosecution of the war, to keep in mind the adjustments which will later become necessary."

War Factor Dominates Business Indications

In reviewing the business situation, the president observed that in the year ahead, while the economy is beginning to feel the impact of war conditions, today the usual economic indices no longer gave the true picture of the ebb and flow of business.

Canada's contribution to the war effort, the mobilization and the progressive utilization of every asset the country possessed for the most intensive prosecution of the war.

Policing the war, the president said, that the Price Control Board is zealously seeking to stabilize prices and that the Excess Profits Tax largely eliminates competition, will prove a stimulus to production, he said. "It is equally the duty of the Government to see that wages, which form the major part of the cost of

manufacturing, are not unduly inflated."

General Manager's Address
Presenting a financial statement that reflected the increasingly important part which the institution is playing in the financing of Canada's war effort, G. W. Spinney, on behalf of himself and his fellow general manager, Jackson Dodson, O.B.E., directed that the bank end its 124th year of operation "we are determined to play our full part in this national effort and we are confident with confidence to the achievement of victory which is now the primary and foremost consideration."

Net profits of \$3,436,000 were drawn by \$27,000,000 worth of assets with the result, said the general manager, "is not unsatisfactory in view of the fact that taxes paid to the Dominion and Provincial Governments for the year were the highest in history at \$1,826,000 accounted for principally by the higher rate of Dominion taxation." The increased revenue to offset these additional charges will be obtained chiefly from commercial loans which for the year averaged about 22 per cent. higher.

The rise of industrial activity, he said, was mainly due to credit facilities which are welcomed by the bank. He warned however, that the bank has a special duty to prevent the encouragement of speculative tendencies in business. Accordingly, the financing of abnormal inventories carried for purely speculative purposes in the expectation of rising prices would be equally disastrous to the interests of the banks, their customers and the public generally.

Britain has ruled that couples getting married may have extra rations of tea, sugar, butter, and meat for the wedding reception.

A bed blanket that can be converted into a robe and hood for wear in sudden emergencies has been invented in England.

The Danube river is neither beautiful nor blue.

In Italy bagpipes are as numerous as in Scotland.

A GROCER PUT ME WISE,

"Sure I'm a crank for cleanliness—but it never occurred to me that waxed paper should be as unquestionably pure as food itself. Thank goodness a grocer put me wise. From now on it's Para-Sani—pure and safe food protection."

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Says Petain Refused To Let Nazi Troops Pass Through France

Berne, Switzerland.—A reported German attempt to send Nazi troops through France to Libya and Greece to help Italy without disturbing the Italian home morale was declared to have been rebuffed by France with a flat "No" from Chief of State Marshal Philippe Petain.

Petain and a majority of his ministers were said in advices to Vichy to diplomatic sources here to have considered the German move, reported made through Vice-Premier Pierre Laval before he was ousted last week from the French government as an axis attempt to gain a foothold on the French Mediterranean bases.

The Germans, it was reported, sounded out Laval while he still was "No" man in France, in an effort to find means of getting aid to the Italians, hard pressed by British and Greek troops, without passing through Italy.

It was feared, these reports said, that passage of troops through Musolini's country to bulkward Italian forces in Greece and Africa would have a bad effect on Italian morale. Germany, it was reported, wanted to send troops through unoccupied France to a French Mediterranean port, where they would be picked up apparently by Italian transports.

The reports to diplomatic sources here said Marshal Pétain refused the request on grounds the only port through which such troops could board Italian transports surely would be the Toulon naval base.

It was said the marshal previously refused a suggestion by Laval that France's naval bases, including Toulon, be made available for axis use.

Anxious French leaders acted quickly to consolidate their new government, purged of Laval, with some apparently fearing that Germany may occupy all France.

To observers outside such action seemed unlikely, for the present at least.

Unimportant Episode

Berlin.—According to Nazi spokesmen, British success in Egypt and the Greek victory in Albania are "minor episodes" exaggerated into tragedies. "The Axis cause, both military and economic, remains absolutely uninfluenced by these episodic," they said.

Saw Parcels Packed

London.—Lady Tweedsmuir, representing the Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire, visited Canadian Red Cross headquarters here, and watched the packing of 20 Christmas parcels for Canadian prisoners in Germany who have no next of kin in the United Kingdom. They are mostly airmen.

Natural Air Raid Shelters

Inhabitants of one Kent village have natural air raid shelters for their protection. They go to the famous caves in the neighborhood.

Fascist Explanation Of The Ill-Starred Campaign In Greece

Rome.—Roberto Farinacci, editor of *Il Regime Fascista*, indicated that Marshal Pietro Badoglio, who resigned last week as Italian chief of staff, had told friends that he was opposed to the Italian campaign in Greece and that more divisions were needed to start it than he had at his disposal.

Farinacci, who first accused the high command of "unfitness and impudence" Nov. 23, wrote: "Someone who should have had every reason to keep still went around declaring in drawing rooms, hunting preserves and to clusters of his beneficiaries that he did not want the undertaking and a greater number of divisions would be necessary to carry it out."

"It is well then that it be known that that someone assumed the undertaking without reservations to carry out the action to the finish with forces already existing in Albania. Everything else is contrary to the truth."

It would be "infantile," Farinacci wrote, to try to lay responsibility on a political command when it is the duty of the technical military organization to carry out the war.

Submarine Menace

R.A.F. To Play More Important Part In Protective Measures

London.—Britain is seeking to meet the menace of submarines and long-range German flying boats to shipping in the vital western approaches by increasing the admiralty control over the Royal Air Force coastal command and by providing it with additional planes.

Prime Minister Churchill in announcing the policy in the House of Commons stressed, however, agitation to divert this power from the Royal Air Force and then to place it directly under the admiralty.

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Established By The War Savings Committee To Stimulate Interest

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To become eligible for the honor roll firm and its employees must have 75 per cent of their number registered as regular subscribers for war certificates purchased.

From 75 to 89 per cent participation will entitle a firm to a bronze seal, 90 to 99 per cent a silver seal, and for 100 per cent a gold seal. First awards will be made early in the new year.

Metal Salvaged

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New York.—Approximately \$5,000,000 worth of antimony buried in wooden cases years ago in the muddy bottom of a Chinese river to protect it from seizure by the Japanese, has arrived in New York by steamship and now lies in warehouses of the New York foreign trade zone operators, it was learned.

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Start Training Next Month

First Canadian Draft For Netherlands Army Called Up

Ottawa.—Netherlands soldiers recruited in Canada will form part of a force sent to aid the Allies in defeating the Germans and to maintain order and stability in their homeland after the withdrawal or collapse of the enemy. Col. G. J. Sas, chief of the Netherlands military mission, said.

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AIR COMMODORE G. O. JOHNSON
who is Member for Organization and Training of the Air Council.

Capture German Freighter

Dutch Destroyer Van Kinsbergen Intercepts The Rhein

Washington.—The United States navy department announced the German freighter Rhein, which slipped out of Tampico, Mexico, Nov. 29 to run the British blockade, was "in possession of the Dutch destroyer Van Kinsbergen off the coast of Cuba."

The Nazi crew attempted to scuttle their ship, the navy announced, before abandoning her. Another source had reported earlier a Netherlands warship "intercepted" the Rhein and that fire was observed aboard the freighter.

The dash toward a German port which the Rhein started on Nov. 29 was the freighter's second attempt to slip through the British naval cordon. On Nov. 15 the Rhein, together with the Idarwald and the Phrygia, left Tampico to run the blockade but sighted unidentified warships a few hours afterwards. The Rhein and the Idarwald scurried back to Tampico but the Phrygia's rear scuttled her in the belief the naval units sighted were enemy craft.

The news that one or more Netherlands naval units are working with the British vessels in patrolling the Atlantic came as something of a surprise here. There had been no previous indication the Netherlands navy was represented in world operations.

Financial Aid For China

British Grants \$44,500,000 To Government Of Chiang Kai-Shek

London.—Aid totaling \$44,500,000 has been granted to Chiang Kai-Shek's government by Great Britain, Richard Butler, under-secretary for foreign affairs, told the House of Commons.

It will take two forms: half in credits to be used by China in countries within the sterling bloc, and half to strengthen the Chinese stabilization fund.

Subscriptions Coming In

Ottawa.—Eighty subscriptions to the Dominion's non-interest bearing war loan, totalling \$589,091, were received during November, Finance Minister Ilsey announced. These raised the total amount subscribed to \$4,407,262. Of the November subscriptions, 24 were from individuals who had made previous purchases.

TWO OF A KIND



This is the latest picture of Fuehrer Hitler of Germany and Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy, taken at Florence when they conferred on the Balkan situation recently. They don't look quite so happy this time. Apparently the Axis is having Greece trouble.

Food Situation In Europe Not Acute Until Next Spring

Washington.—United States state situation changes suddenly, we can department intervention in behalf of food relief for Europe is unlikely for at least three months, a high official said, because the department has information that there are enough supplies abroad to last until late next spring.

A survey of food conditions, compiled for the department by authoritative U.S. sources, shows that Europe faces no starvation for a minimum of five or six months, the official said.

This information, he said, coupled with Britain's recent refusal to pass food shipments through her blockade, has virtually decided the state department to defer any general action on the subject until the end of the winter.

An exception may be made, informed sources said, in behalf of Red Cross efforts to send supplies to Spain, where the food situation is believed critical and for shipments of condensed milk and concentrated vitamin foods for infants and children in unoccupied France.

"Since our most authoritative reports indicate that the food situation in those countries which have been overrun by German invaders will not reach the critical stage for approximately six months," the official said, "it is felt that, unless

the situation changes suddenly, we can study the problem another two or three months before making a final decision."

By spring there may be developments in Europe, the official added, which would change the whole picture and either obviate the necessity of food ships, or cause them to be rushed. Even in the latter event, it was said, the relief cargoes would arrive in ample time to ward off extreme privation or actual starvation.

One of the questions officials here would like to see clarified in the meantime is what, if any, action Germany will take in insuring food for the peoples in the nations German troops have occupied. Many officials here feel—as intimated by State Secretary Cordell Hull—that Germany is primarily responsible for the plight of these people, and should be the first to make sure they do not starve.

"The British are now living like wild animals," one ranking official said, responding to any hours of damp cellars, eating short rations and suffering severely rather than give up their liberty to Hitler. It's hardly the time for the United States government to bring pressure to bear on Britain to permit foodstuffs to reach German-occupied areas, especially since the foodstuffs there will last several months longer."

Slave Labor

W.H.C. Control Appeals For Funds For Voluntary War Work

Ottawa.

The National war services department announced formation of an advisory board to control appeals for funds for voluntary war work.

The board, to be known as the national war services advisory board, is headed by C. L. Burton of Toronto, and includes a representative from each province, as well as representatives of five voluntary war service organizations.

The board will require production of detailed statements of expenditures of all organizations and check the amounts to be asked of the public and the purpose proposed for use.

It will regulate dates of appeals.

Airmen From Rhodesia

Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.—Southern Rhodesia will supply 1,800 pilots, 240 air observers and 340 air gunners a year when the local air force is fully organized.

It has been decreed compulsory that Poles should serve in the so-called "Baudite"—a special unit to be employed whenever labor is required in construction projects.

The arrested farmers are required to take a spade with them to the camp, where they will be put to forced labor. One rug and a bow from which to eat are the only other articles allowed in the camp.

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According to German newspapers, the German authorities in Poland are proceeding with plans for the transfer of populations, with Poles being evicted from territories incorporated in the Reich and Germans being settled on land thus vacated.

Italian Rout In Egypt May Have A Potential War Effect

London.—Steel-shod jaws of a carefully-prepared British trap have sprung shut to bite off the head of Italy's boasted army of attack in Egypt, and rock Rome anew with tidings of disaster.

A grim story of defeat, more crushing perhaps in its potential effect upon the course of the war than the Greek rout of Italian invading hosts, awaits official telling in Italy. It will test rigorously Mussolini's boast that his war bulletins of his people are "documentations of truth."

British estimates of the number of prisoners taken are soaring to high figures. Each new Cairo bulletin steps up the aggregate. Prime Minister Churchill prepared parliament for announcement that three or more Italian divisions had been gobbed.

That would mean substantially a sixth at least of Marshal Graziani's once powerful striking force. Add probably Italian casualties and stragglers and a quarter or more of his entire army seems to have been put out of action in four days.

Authoritative figures of Graziani's full strength are lacking. It has been estimated at from 150,000 to 250,000 men. The cream of it unquestionably was posted at the now-lost Sidi Barrani spearhead and has been destroyed.

These divisions were the cutting edge of the Italian thrust at the Suez canal. They were shock troops, native and Italian. Their loss is irreparable because replacements cannot be sent from Italy to Africa.

As reflections of public war morale, the Italian disasters in Albania and Egypt could be of more importance than can be measured by military yardsticks. They could mean the beginning of the end for Mussolini, if not Hitler.

Gifts

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CHRISTMAS GREENS

THE custom of hanging evergreen boughs in the home during the Yuletide season had a purpose beyond that of decoration. In olden days each kind of evergreen was believed to confer special blessings on those who passed beneath its boughs. To pass under holly insured good fortune; to pass under ivy meant victory, while laurel was supposed to impart a sense of beauty and poetry. — Missouri Farmer.

Christmas Essentially

the Day of the Child
DECEMBER the 25th is the Day of the Child. It is open this day of days that countless men and women and little ones barely able to spend their last gasps after the great rejoicing: For unto us a Child is born unto us a Son is given:

Even those who hold creeds in which there is no Christmas feel the splendor of that cry, and those who have no formal creed at all still know that there is one of the 365 portions of the year which is essentially the Day of the Child.

It is the day when even the most uncontinental adult, long since congealed and hardened by the years, can bear in his heart the footprints of the little ones. Today they are running about the pages of the world, panting to see what good news may have been received, anxious and hope that only young hearts can feel.

On this day the austere scientist who has almost quit believing in the very laws of astronomy which recently seemed so sure and stable, will seem to be smiling again. The law of relativity—this careful profession skeptical becomes as a child himself, and considers it hard indeed if he cannot believe in Santa Claus, heard ed fairy godfather of the children.

On this day also those who have been good and simple feel like saying over even more fervently their simple prayer for wisdom in the rearing of children:

"Almighty God, heavenly Father, who has blessed us with the joy and care of children; Give us light and strength so to train them, that they may love whatsoever things are true and pure and served with plenty of grace."

The noble bird was not served by common hands; that privilege was reserved for the truly knots most distinguished by birth or beauty. One of them carried it into the dining hall to the sounds of music, the rest of the fowl were sent to the kitchen. The dish was set down on the floor in the middle of the house or his most honored guests. The latest instance of peacock eating recorded was at a dinner given to William IV, when Duke of Clarence, by the governor of Grenada.

“A most royal Christmas, with daily

joustings and runnings at tilt, where

it is said there was every day about 28 or 30 oxen, and 300 steers, besides

now without number; be caused a gown for himself to be made of gold,

adorned with pearl and precious stones, to the value of 3,000 marks;

he was guarded by Cheshire men and

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“A Merry Christmas,” as

Other Nations Say It

THIS is how the nations of the

world express the wish “A Merry

Christmas”:

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unica; Croatia, Sretan Božić; Holland, Een Vrolijk Kerstfeest;

Belgium, Pasqua; Germany, Frohe

Weihnacht; Sweden, Glad Julen; Italy, Felice Natale; Rumania, Craciun Felicitare; Bohemia, Vesela Vianoce; Poland, Wesoły Świąt; Denmark, Glædelig Jul.

And for greens in the

formation of wreaths and garlands,

we foundation, taking care to keep

the wreath symmetrical. Small

groups of red berries, regularly

placed, give character to such a dec-

oration.

To make a flexible rope of green-

ery, simply lay a foundation of very

fine wire to and to this attach the short

sprays of pine, hemlock or spruce, inter-

spersed regularly with clusters of laur-

el; or for a more decorative ef-

fect use the artificial berries with the greens. Fine flexible wire is best for fastening the sprays in place.

Another use for greens is in the

formation of window decorations. Ar-

range the small sprays of ever-ber-

ries, with wire foundation, taking care to

keep the wreath symmetrical. Small

groups of red berries, regularly

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oration.

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Boy—When Santa Claus was a lit-

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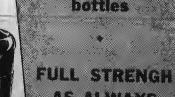
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"AIR FORCE BLUES"

(Written for The Journal by Freda Graham Bundy)



FREDA GRAHAM BUNDY

Hetty Sawyer's shoulders sagged perceptibly and swayed with the motion of the street car. One couldn't help but be tired after weeks of frenzied sewing, long hours spent over fine hand-work on yards of shimmering satin and expensive silks. The weary mothers of the elite young dandies were terribly exacting in their demands upon the aging seamstresses, but equally delinquent and reluctant about paying their bills.

Infinite weariness had settled over Hetty's madonna-like face and at the memory of another Christmas alone, her lips unconsciously quivered. She had thought, had hoped that she might have the courage to ask some lonely soldier lad to share her Christmas meal. Perhaps a boy about the age of Davey would have been. She would liked to have had a young airman, and so there he was in the seat beside her, for she was sure that Davey, reckless and daring as he had been in his ten years, would have joined the airforce, had he lived.

She had been forty when Davey was born. For years she and Robert had given up hope of children and then the world had been so bright for a short time, until Robert had been taken. Little Davey had been such a comfort during those dark days, when she sewed for endless hours to earn the money for their existence.

And then, there was the black day—but she wouldn't recall it—on this Christmas eve. One shouldn't go searching for unhappiness, especially now, when the world had such an over-abundance of that dispirited commodity.

The street car rumbled through a down-town residential district and Hetty gazed with interest at the modest houses, lit up all gay with presents. Most of the people would now be trimming their Christmas trees.

The Gilberts had taken her in to see their tree, when she had delivered Sandra's evening dress, but it could not be mentioned in the same category with those in the homes that she was passing. Hetty had thought of it, such a great, stunning affair, an artificial creation of blue cellulose fringes and concealed lighting. They were having soldiers and airmen there for the holiday and decorators had been busy putting the finishing touches to modernistic trimmings that to Hetty's mind symbolized nothing but Christmas.

She thought of her own little living room, bravely flaunting festoons of ground hemlock and fragrant branches of pine. She had walked miles, last Sunday, to a spot along the river bank where, years ago, Davey had discovered evergreens.

There was the turkey too, that she had bought, and the ham—she said she must be made into pies. She shouldn't have been so extravagant when there were taxes and insurance to be paid on the little cottage. She had even bought olives, almonds and red candles for the table, so sure was she that some lonely boy would be eating his Christmas dinner at her house.

Miss Trelor, next door, would laugh at her harsh way when she saw that she had entered the brown cottage all day. She should never have braved to Miss Trelor that she was inviting company, but there had been that irresistible impulse when the door maiden lady had boasted that relatives from the army, airforce and navy were spending Christmas at their house.

Here was a young airman by her side but she didn't dare to speak to him so smart and dashing. He looked in his uniform, not in his civilian clothes, if he needed a little pine-scented cottage in which to eat his Christmas dinner. Probably he would be dining and dancing tomorrow evening with some beautiful young thing.

Hetty Sawyer tucked a soft strand of white hair into place and sighed heavily, but suddenly the sigh choked in her throat for as she had turned her head to catch a glimpse of the boy by airforce blues and the expression on his face was one that any mother would know and recognize immediately.

The lad was facing the dark window but he was looking up, up at the ceiling, up at the gaudy advertisements and blinking fast and hard, just the way Davey used to do when he felt badly, up, always up, so that tears would not fall and embarrass him.

The boy was lonely, he was so young and no doubt it was his first Christmas away from home. If only she dared to speak to him. What could she say? It would necessitate rapid thinking for she would soon be leaving the car.

"Are you away from home for Christmas?" she timidly asked; then could have bitten her tongue for lack of diplomacy. If the boy

really were homesick, what an insane thing to have asked him.

"Yes—yes, a long way from home," was his quick reply.

"I suppose you—you are invited out for Christmas dinner."

The lad shook his head. "No, I'll be eating at the barracks—there'll be good food, but it will not taste the same."

"I guess food cooked in such huge quantities never tastes just the same as at home. I—I've just decided that I don't want Christmas dinner—that is, I see, I would have to eat it alone."

He really also was expressing himself, the lad would never come now, he'd think she was a little queer.

"I have the turkey—and the turkey sauce is all made," she continued hopefully.

"And thick mince pie?" He grinned. "And would you have mashed turnips—and honest-to-goodness dressing—with lots of onion and sage in it—not oysters or sausages or chestnuts?"

"I certainly would," answered Hetty, her heart action accelerated in alarmingly manner.

"And thick mince pie?" He grinned. "And would you have plum pudding?"

"Oh, no plum pudding—I'm sorry, I forgot it," lamented the silvery-haired woman. "But—but where you come for dinner, even without your family?"

"Gee, would I!" cried the lad with shining eyes. "Just ask me! I was sitting there having a good fit of airforce blues. Do you know, if I were running a city I'd make a rule that every home should ask a soldier, sailor or airman to share their Christmas dinner. Of course, a lot of the fellows have been asking out, but guess gal doesn't realize that that makes it all the harder for the ones who are left. Could—could I come early and help a bit?"

"Come as early as you please," said Hetty Sawyer. Happy and fervently she hoped that Miss Trelor would not be too thoroughly occupied to notice his arrival.

If the neighbors did fail to see the young fellow, she seated upon the brown cottage, they missed a sensation. The snow was falling gently and masking the world beautifully when he drove up in a taxi and alighted with arms loaded high with parcels, while the driver followed after bearing a Christmas tree.

"Merry Christmas!" he shouted boisterously as the door opened. "This is our nineteen-forty edition of Santa Claus just arriving."

"But—what—how?" gasped Hetty Sawyer.

"Oh, the Christmas shopping?" he asked laughingly. "I caught the next car back last night and took around like a can in a fit until the stores closed."

The woman led him in and he laid down the parcels he had set them on the hall table. "Those are red carnations for our banquet," he began. "I hope you have red candies."

"Yes, I have," she answered.

"And that—oh yes, it's the plum pudding you forgot—and here's a couple of bricks of ice-cream—for the top of the mince pie, you know. And these—are just some little things that I want to put under the tree. Say, you don't mind me getting that tree, do you? You see, I always help to trim the tree at home."

"It will make everything perfect," declared the elderly woman with a tender light in her eyes. "But—the ornaments—I'm afraid—"

"Oh, one of those boxes contains colored glass balls and tinsel, but I wish that there was an angel, with a golden halo, and an angel for the top of the tree." The boyish face was so forlorn that the woman laughed aloud.

"I have an angel," she said. "A lovely one with tinsel wings—it has been laid away for years."

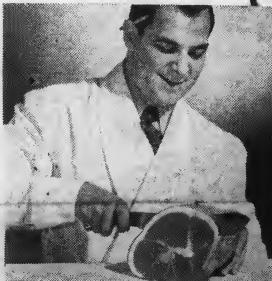
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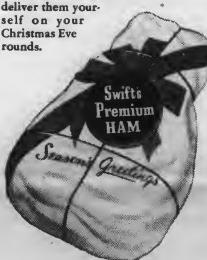
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Swift's Premium Ham

remains of a Christmas feast. The boy was lolling back in his chair after his nap.

"Oh heck, I ate too much," he groaned. "It was such a grand dinner." He grimmed into the kindly eyes before him. "You're a darn good cook—Mom."

"It's a wonderful Christmas," murmured the woman with misty eyes. "No blue cellulose trees nor silver cocktail shakers." Her eyes wandered over the little green tree the boy had decorated. "Just as it should be—real Christmas trees, an old-fashioned dinner and a boy to eat it."

She sat thoughtfully toying with her fork, then suddenly said, "I was wondering if you'd like to come for supper once a week—to have baking powder biscuits with maple syrup and scalloped potatoes—and plain things like that."

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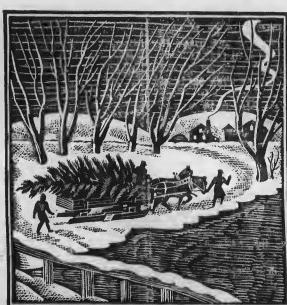
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Ancients Gave Presents

as Most People Do Now

THE custom of making presents at Christmas is derived from very ancient usages. In the first century in Latin countries gifts were exchanged at New Year's, writes James Wolfe Faurewitz in the Washington (D. C.) Evening Star.

The decoration of churches with mistletoe and holly is likewise a pagan custom.

Mistletoe plays and pageants trace back to a pre-Christian era. The sports of the Lords of Misrule in England are supposed to be an inheritance from the Saturnalia of heathen Rome.

Father Christmas or Santa Claus is identified with St. Nicholas or St. Lucia and also with Knight Ruprecht and Robin Goodfellow. Grimm says that in some parts of Germany Knight Nicolas is merely an attendant on the real gift-giver, who is sometimes the infant Christ and sometimes St. Nicholas, but who is also frequently conceived as an ugly dwarf called Krampus.

Carol singing or wails, strolling street minstrels, is an old British custom.

The first Christmas cards date from about 1846.

The setting up in Latin churches of a Christmas creche is said to have been originated by St. Francis

Protect Children When Celebrating Christmas

CHRISTMAS time being a season of joy, every precaution should be taken to prevent any untoward circumstances which might enter into its celebration.

Too often the careless placing of unlit candles has resulted in pain, fire and even death to those participating in the Yuletide festivities. "Santa Claus" has been the victim in innumerable cases.

They electric lights now are most used in lighting the Christmas tree, and that reduces the fire danger materially. If candles are to be used in the decoration—and they undoubtedly will be—then they should be placed on the mantel and in other secure locations where contact with their pretty blazes is not likely to be made.

In Christmas sports involving the sighted, danger, children should be directed in their play by an older person who is competent to effect a rescue if necessary.—Charles Frederick Wadsworth.

Celebrated Christmas on Way to North Pole

CAPTAIN HORN and his crew on their way to the Pole once celebrated Christmas day by having a wash in a bucket of water each, and by washing their shirts. On another occasion after being on short rations they kept Christmas day by consuming such luxuries as raisins and chocolate, for breakfast, for dinner and supper. Indulged in four courses. First of all there was a full wash of pemmican with slices of bear meat flavored with onion and curry powder and thickened with biscuits; then arctic roe, raw seal meat, dried fish, dried salmon, then plum pudding, then suet with raisins and finally a dessert of caramel and ginger. "After all this," says Scott, "it was difficult to move."

Wilson and I couldn't raise our share of the plum pudding. We felt thoroughly satisfied after such a meal. But the advance guard slow the following day owing to the thickening of the night before.

A BIG STOCKING



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Mother—What is it, my dear?
Bobby—It's good the feet of a mountain don't have a stocking to hang up at Christmas time.

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DRESS SHIRTS \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.00

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Gloves, Scarves, Socks, Hats, etc.

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Coleman

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OUR FRY'S and CADBURY'S CHOCOLATES are packed in fancy boxes and are known to be of the finest. OUR WRITING PAPER, in fancy boxes, is especially exported from England.

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DELICIOUS APPLES, per case \$1.45 and \$1.75
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It has been a great pleasure to serve you during the past year, and we sincerely wish you A Merry Christmas with the hope that the New Year will be Happy and Prosperous.

— Choose Your Gift From Our Varied —

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RADIOS	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	LAMPS
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CUPS AND SAUCERS,

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Christmas Messages From Coleman Clergy



Captain Frank Watson

We are living in a world of unrest, with war on every hand, and concern in every heart. Truly we know not what a day may bring forth, we pick up the newspaper scarcely desiring to see what the headlines may contain, we listen to the radio wondering what new calamity may have struck in the past few hours. And so in a world of bloodshed and hatred, again we give forth the Christmas message "On earth peace, goodwill toward men." I can almost hear some of my readers saying, "What? Do you mean to make mention of peace, when discord is evident everywhere?" Have you the ability to mention goodwill among men when armies are ready to march to the battlefield at a moment's notice, and airplanes nightly are dropping deadly bombs on enemy territory? I reply to all this, "Yes—decidedly! My reason for such a positive answer is a threefold one.

First, it was the song of the angels. I never read where any of God's angels made a mistake in their announcement or message. I have heard of humans erring in this regard time and again, "I have seen many who have written in papers and magazines that proved to be erroneous, but I have yet to note where the angelic band were guilty of such a fault. We can trace many other of their messages, as recorded in the Bible, and see how they were perfectly true, surely this can be no exception.

My second reason is that this message is in the Bible. When men and women everywhere come back to the Scriptures and accept them, this will be a different world. We are told that the Bible is the best seller in the world today, this is a wonderful fact yet how little it is read—and accepted. Christians may as well try to be healthy without as to advance in the Christian life without the Good Book. It does not take a university graduate to realize that the Bible is God's inspired and holy word. It contains the foundations of our laws, and is the basis of all truth. The Christmas message of peace on earth and goodwill toward men is one such grand declaration.

Thirdly, the song of the angels still stands firm because it was overthrown by the decision of God. Overthrowing the Heaven Host, towering above them messages from the mind of God. The angels, as they uttered those wonderful words, were praising God, and telling forth His desire for lost mankind. This was no sudden impulse that had prompted the Lord, this was the culmination of centuries of planning and revealing. In the garden of Eden He foretold of a coming Redeemer. Later, the prophet Isaiah had recorded in his prophecy "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given—and His name shall be called the Prince of Peace." Down through the years we can trace God's hand working out this grand purpose of the ages—Abraham the man of faith grasping God's promise and becoming the father of a great nation.

Christmas is Ireland's
Greatest Of All Feasts

In no country is Christmas looked forward to with greater anticipation than in Ireland. For centuries the coming of the Christ Child has been hailed with unbounded joy by the people of the Emerald Isle.

Many stories associated with Christmas are repeated year after year in Ireland from time immemorial. One legend tells that sometimes on Christmas eve Mary and the Christ Child wander abroad seeking shelter. Fearful lest they might seek in vain, as they did in Bethlehem long ago, a lighted candle is placed



Rev. Father Leo. Sullivan

Best wishes to the citizens of Coleman for a happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

"You shall find Him wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lain in a manger."

Behold the sign by which the shepherds knew to recognize the Saviour of the world. You shall find a child so weak and helpless that it is wrapped in swaddling clothes; so poor, that a lowly manger is its cradle.

Jesus as the Son of God could not, on entering the world, have chosen circumstances more worthy of His infinite greatness, because the ultimate poverty in which He was born has been associated with the immense riches which He possessed as the Supreme Lord of heaven and earth. This assertion may seem contradictory at first sight; yet it is most true and not at all difficult to understand. It goes without saying that in God there can be no desire for earthly goods; for one can have a desire only for that which one does not possess, and God, as the Supreme Good and all sum total of all good in Himself, possessed all things in infinite fulness. God in His own infinite richness is absolutely independent of all earthly goods.

Jesus as God could not have chosen more becoming circumstances on His appearance in this world, because the weakness which He manifested in His birth was in harmony with His divine omnipotence, and displays this attribute in the clearest and most striking manner, namely the attainment of the loftiest and most arduous end without the employment of any natural or human means.

But where is the royal state of the newborn King? Enter His garment into the lowly stable of Bethlehem; what do you behold there? On the one side, the dumb cattle fastened to the manger; on the other the holy mother, poor, friendless and unknown; and St. Joseph, the humble carpenter. Come nearer and cast a reverent glance into that lowly manger and behold a helpless babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, reclining on a bed of straw. But in this weakness and littleness what power and greatness! Was it not this helpless babe who pulled down the temples and idols of the false gods and set up the Christian church on their ruins? Is this not the child before whom the mighty of this world bow in adoration; at whose feet kings and emperors lay down their crowns? What strength! What power! What omnipotence dwells in this helpless weakness!

The circumstances of His birth are not the work of chance, but the result of His free will. If he was born in poverty, contempt and suffering. He himself so willed and pre-ordained it. He therefore chose privations, humiliations and hardships in preference to riches, honors and enjoyments. Has He not smoothed the path of His birth throughout the world, the greatest enemy of man's salvation? Has He not smoothed for us the arduous way to heaven, and mightily encouraged us to walk manfully on the way of self-denial, the only way that leads to eternal life?

The spirit of detachment from the mammon of this world, true humility and self-denial are among the greatest gifts we can offer to the new born King at Christmas.

in every window to guide them to a place of refuge. These are left burning through the night, gleaming into the darkness, guiding any wanderer that might be abroad; for the legend also tells that the "Mother and Child" may come in almost any guise.

All the world remembers Ireland at Christmas, for her children are scattered in every land. A steady stream of gifts and good wishes come pouring into her gates. Families divide, yet stretching seas are reconciled in spirit, as the bridges of time and space is broken by the old happy greeting, "A Merry Christmas and a Bright New Year."

PALACE THEATRE

HIGH-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT

To Coleman Theatre Patrons

We wish to express our appreciation of their patronage, and to extend hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cole.



Program For Coming Week

Thursday and Friday, December 19 and 20

Ronald COLMAN and Ginger ROGERS in

"LUCKY PARTNERS"

The Romantic Dilemma of three on a "Honeymoon." Never mind the details—come and see them spend their sweepstakes winnings! A laugh for every tingling love thrill.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS:
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NELSON EDDY and ILONA MASSEY, in

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Nelson Eddy co-starred with beautiful, exotic Ilona Massey....a new song bird of the screen. Cossacks ride madly to Gypsy songs of beautiful women!

Added Attractions—NEWS and CARTOON

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Jane WITHERS and Joe BROWN Jr. in

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Fresh—and we mean "fresh"—from a ranch, Jane is sent to High school and ready to take the place over. She's stepping out now! Dates! Parties! Shindigs! And it's Fun!

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An Unwelcome Christmas Guest

(By TOM CLARKE, Macleod)

The men of the North-West Mounted Police holding down the detachment at old Standoff, leading to Whitemud Gap, in the Milk River Ridge country, were in high spirits this year of 1885, Christmas being but a few days distant. There would be big doings on that day at Macleod, divisional headquarters, where nearly 100 men were stationed there at this lonely frontier post, located less than half a dozen miles from the International Boundary line, it being the most southerly detachment in Alberta, the every-day routine of duty ordered must be observed (if slightly curtailed), its members observing the day in a manner suitable to themselves and their surroundings.

The prospects were bright, however, for a large hamper had been received by the non-com. in charge from friends in the East, which, when opened, contained everything necessary to enable the men to celebrate right royally. Half a dozen extra uniforms, which in the vicinity, had joyously accepted an invitation to join with us in observing the great day. There were no other people nearer than Standoff, 35 miles distant, Cardston not coming into being until two years later.

Christmas Day, 1885, was like a day in mid-summer, a choice white blessing. At noon, however, in the furious four of the invited guests put in their appearance, being seen descending the deeply rutted trail leading into the valley and breaking into a gallop were soon exchanging good wishes. They were a happy, roistering bunch, young, energetic, virile young. They were "Baldy" Morris, Fred Shaw, Jack Cotter, Sam DeRinzy, and Percy Ashe and all had held the rank of Sergeant when they quit the force. There was also Jimmy Moles, who as a boy had been brought up in an Indian camp of the Comanches. The immigrant party, of which he was a member, had been wiped out by Chief Sorrel Top's braves, the young lad being adopted by the chief whose only son died some time previously. He was at this time about 28 years of age and altogether Indian in his habits.

All were now present but Ashe who would be serving prison if it was possible, so having ridden out to look over a bunch of cayuses he had ranging in the vicinity. Everything was in readiness to serve the good things prepared by the camp cook, consisting in part of river trout, prairie chicken and wild goose with all the fixings obtainable in those wild and woolly days.

And then came the surprise of the day, for clattering hoofs announced the arrival of the belated one who appeared in the doorway accompanied by a wild-looking Indian. Our worst fears were realized. The Indian was Ashe's prisoner. Midway between the St. Mary's

and Snake Creek, Ashe had observed a commotion amongst his horses, we were told, his field glasses revealing a man endeavoring to throw his rope on one of the animals. Another rider was much heard at all points for the score, but as the animal roped was crippled and slow, the lead he had obtained was soon cut down but not before the Indian had reached the heavy brush-covered hillside, and as he imagined, safety. But Ashe was known to be deadly and at the point of his gun, he prodded his victim into the open, and taking the back track, arriving at the detachment at the very moment the men were about to partake of the good things under which the table groaned.

He could not have known that he would prove a wet blanket on this festive occasion. He could not be taken into Macleod at once, the day being far advanced and the distance too great. Anyway, not a man on the detachment wanted to miss his share of the good things prepared. The dinner should go on as had been arranged. The prisoner must be secured to make escape impossible. For formality was soon over, leg irons and handcuffs assured us that he would be on hand when wanted, and so, trussed up securely, the wily "mite" was placed in the corner of the stock out of the way, and the dinner was proceeded with. He was not forgotten, however, and if still alive he will remember the dinner he was served which brought a sparkle of pleasure to his hawk-like eyes, and the ravenous manner in which he attacked the food showed that he was still alive, but spurned it as well he might. At that moment he would not willingly have changed places with Red Crow, the head chief of the Bloods. Later on, however, when the wet goods were being circulated and tongues loosened, he seemed somewhat amiable, but remembering our responsibility, none present felt like indulging to the same extent he might have done had our Moquon brave not been present.

The prisoner was taken into Macleod. It came out in examining him he had been visiting his friend, the Scotchman, a prospector in Montana. On his return, far out on the prairie, his horse had left him afoot. Crossing into Canada, he had spotted the feeding animals and had caught up the cripple, the only one he could approach, intending to ride him to the Blood camp when it would be given its liberty, marching in course of time to the bunch.

Taking into consideration the circumstances as produced, a very light sentence was imposed, but it is dollars to doughnuts the Indian believed he was still ahead of the game after the dinner served him by the Men of the Mounted, Christmas Day, 1885.

Heigh-ho, fifty-five years ago, and the good old scouts who were present that Christmas Day have scattered far and wide, "Baldy" and others having passed over into the great beyond many years ago. Peace to their ashes.

Relic of Early Days in Document

31 years pass very quickly—in fact, all too quickly to permit one to do all he aims to. A reminder of this comes in the accompanying copy of an agreement made over 31 years ago between representatives of the men of the Army, now known as West Coleman, (known in those days as Slavtown). Only one of the signers is still here—J. O. C. McDonald, assistant superintendent of McGillivray mine. Frank Graham, sr., Alex Cameron and C. Ouimette, sr., have passed on, while of the other two, William John Bellier and William Ashurst, The Journal has no information.

Here is the copy of the agreement:

Coleman, Alta., July 26th, 1909.
IN THE MATTER OF Incorporation of West Coleman Annex, commonly known by the name of Slavtown, to the Village of Coleman.

We the Council of the said village of Coleman do agree, when said incorporation is legally consummated.

1st.—To make a road or street to the aforesaid Slavtown, through the rock or cliff, so as to connect it to our village, work to begin in August or so soon thereafter as agreement is made, between the C.P.R. and municipality of Coleman, in the right of Coleman.

2nd.—To light said community as soon as lamps can be secured, and put in a supply of water so soon as new system is completed. Also to petition the Minister of Education of the Province of Alberta for power to erect, equip and establish a public ward school, the same to take effect on the approval of said Minister of Education.

Moved by F. G. Graham, seconded by J. O. C. McDonald that the chairman and clerk be hereby authorized to sign said agreement on behalf of the Village of Coleman, carried.

Signed on behalf of the Village

XMAS ROUND TRIP EXCURSIONS

AT
Fare and One Quarter
ON SALE DEC. 21 to DEC. 25
RETURN LIMIT DEC. 26

NEW YEAR'S ROUND TRIP EXCURSIONS

AT
Fare and One Quarter
ON SALE DEC. 30 to JAN. 1
RETURN LIMIT JAN. 7

COMBINATION XMAS AND NEW YEAR'S ROUND TRIP EXCURSIONS

AT
FARE AND ONE THIRD
ON SALE DEC. 20 to JAN. 1
RETURN LIMIT JAN. 7

SPECIAL Teachers and Students Round Trip Excursions

AT
Fare and One Quarter
ON SALE DAILY TO JAN. 1
RETURN LIMIT JAN. 31

FOR FULL INFORMATION SEE JIMMY'S COFFEE SHOP



GREYHOUND



Lest We Forget

WHILE we celebrate this Season of Goodwill in comfort, our brothers, sisters and comrades across the sea live 'neath the shadow of death . . . death let loose from the skies by the monstrous hordes of Nazidom and Paganism.

At this season we are particularly reminded of the debt we owe to those whose service and sacrifice make it possible for us to enjoy our Christmas midst the carefree happiness of children and fond parents . . . those valiant men who patrol the skies, man the ships, stand by the guns, and place their all — even unto life itself, between us and the enemy.

How can we pay our debt to them?

The least we can do is to Save every dollar that we can and lend it to Canada, so that Canada can provide everything in munitions and equipment to fortify these men for the defence of our country and our civilization.

Our savings should be invested in War Savings Certificates, and we should continue to save and invest in War Savings Certificates until Victory is won.

The widow's mite counts as much as the more fortunate ones' plenty, as evidence of service, sacrifice and determination.

So then, whatever else you do at this Christmas season, save and invest in War Savings Certificates. The very consciousness of your service in the Defence of your homeland will make greater your personal enjoyment of Christmas.

W. H. Somerville and de Gaspé Beaubien, Joint National Chairmen, War Savings Committee, Ottawa

For Your Enjoyment.

MONOGRAM CANADIAN RYE WHISKY 40 oz. \$3.75; 25 oz. \$2.65 13 oz. \$1.40	FIVE SCOTS WHISKY 26 oz. \$3.00	MONOGRAM LONDON DRY GIN 25 oz. \$2.50; 12 oz. \$1.25
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Signed on behalf of the property owners of Coleman West An-

nex, or Slavtown.
WILLIAM JOHN BELLIER
WILLIAM ASHURST

The Genuine Christmas
Poets write beautiful Christmas carols, but a child's laugh is Christmas itself.

The German High Command has forbidden families to visit the graves of war dead in western Germany and in Norway.

He: "Nobody will be the wiser if I kiss you." She: "Then don't I'm after an education."

If it weren't for the industry of myriads of tiny insects using the twigs of trees for their factory sites, there would be no beautiful Chinese lacquer work or shells.

So small are carrot seeds that 257,000 weigh only one ounce.

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Remember your contribution to
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IT'S ALWAYS FAIR WEATHER
With the fellas' healthy —
Milk does it! Good, pure,
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You will recognize the sound style of these Ritchies at once. And the first step towards their friendliness is that they need no breaking in. The first pair will prove their real **in-built** qualities — which is to stay smart. Come in and choose from our wide range of these famous Canadian shoes.

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Steve Bencko, Prop.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Robert Wilson, Fifth street, was admitted to hospital last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic. Everts, of Medicine Hat, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Nicholas.

Adam Walker received the sad news on Monday of the death of his father, aged 81 years, at Dunfermline, Scotland.

We doff our hats to Jim Wilson this week. On Saturday, Dec. 28, Jim will take unto himself a wife. Congratulations, James!

The Journal acknowledges from E. L. Govey, Coleman's pioneer laundryman, a package of Chinese nuts and ginger. Many thanks.

Mrs. Wesley Vincent left for her new home at Turner Valley on Wednesday. Miss Thelma will remain here until the New Year.

Mrs. Wm. Bell, of Nelson, B.C., was the guest of Mrs. Jack Derbyshire for a few days this week. She left Wednesday on a business trip to Calgary.

Oliver Salvador, medical student at the University of British Columbia, is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Salvador.

Douglas Moores, student at an avion machine shop at Vancouver, arrived in town yesterday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Woods have moved into the residence on main street vacated by Mrs. Vincent. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bell have moved into the Woods' residence on Second street.

THEATRE NOTES

Tonight and Friday "Lucky Partners" featuring Ronald Coleman and Ginger Rogers plays at the Palace. Coleman is an artist, embittered because of a past injustice, and is hiding away in Greenwich Village. He and Ginger are the sweepstakes ticket and when, then depart on a strange "honeymoon."

At the week-end Nelson Eddy is starred in "Balalaika." The story is centred on the romance and adventures of Prince Karagin (Nelson Eddy and Lydia (Iona Massing) through the most dramatic chapter of world history, with the music aimed to satisfy classical and popular music lovers, of "Silent Night."

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week Jane Withers and Joe Brown, Jr., are the feature players in "High School." This is the first of a schedule series of Withers pictures and is made with school days as its background. Joe Brown, Jr., shows real talent in his role and bids fair to hold high the name made famous by his father.

March of Time depicting the Royal Air Force will be shown with the Withers' picture. This is a film which gives the public an intimate view of the part the air force is playing in the present conflict.

At Cole's theatre this week-end Walter Brennan, assisted by a star-studded cast plays the lead in "Maryland," filmed in Technicolor showing a Negro's fight for race. Many beautiful southern scenes are shown. A negro steals the show with a brilliant acting performance.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

In the estate of GEORGE KELLOCK, late of the Town of Coleman, in the Province of Alberta, Mine Manager, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said George Kellock, who died on the 4th day of September, A.D. 1940, are required to file with the undersigned Executor of his Will by the 20th day of January, 1941, a full statement duly verified, of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that the undersigned Executor will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or brought to its knowledge.

DATED THIS 31st day of December, 1940.

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227 Eighth Avenue West,

Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

MESSRS. MACLEOD & EDMANSON,

Solicitors for the Executors.

Foss Boulton, accompanied by Flying Officer Wolfender and Mrs. Wolfender will be the guests of Mrs. Harry Boulton for the Christmas holidays.

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH

Coleman

Rev. J. R. Hague, A. Th., Incumbent.

Services Sunday next:

2.00 p.m.—Sunday school.

7.00 p.m.—evening and sermon.

Monday, December 23, the annual

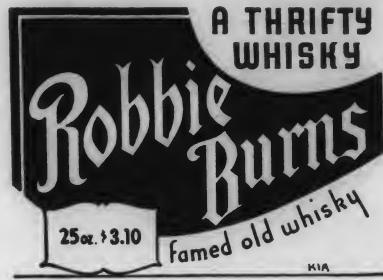
Christmas tree and concert for the children of the Sunday school will be held in the church hall.

For the children will be served at five o'clock, and the concert will commence at half-past seven. Parents and friends are invited to attend the concert.

On Christmas Day there will be a

celebration of Holy Communion

commencing at 11.00 a.m.



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1 tin of Peaches	3
1 tin of Pears	2
1 tin of Raspberries	2
1 tin of Apricots	2
1 tin of Pineapple	2

5 Tins 76c

WITCH HAZEL DEAL

3 Witch Hazel Soap and 2 Teaspoons for	29c
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PURITY ROLLED OATS

Non-Premium	15c
Chinaware	24c
KITCHENWARE	24c

DATES—Pitted, per pound	20c
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Vegetable Deal

1 tin of Corn	1
1 tin of Peas	1
1 tin of Peas and Carrots	1
1 tin of Cut Green Beans	1
1 tin of Tomatoes, 2½ lbs	1

5 Tins 69c

HI-N-DRY GINGER ALE

Christmas Packed QUARTS, half dozen	89c
PINTS, per dozen	89c

(Plus 5¢ deposit on each bottle)

U.S.A. TANGERINES

Per Case \$1.00

OUR MOTTO

Sell No Jap Oranges

CHRISTMAS NUTS

FILBERTS, 2 lbs.	55c
ALMONDS, 2 lbs.	55c
BRAZILS, per lb.	25c
WALNUTS, 2 lbs.	55c
PEANUTS, 2 lbs.	25c
MIXED NUTS, 3 lbs.	85c

BURN'S PRODUCTS

PORK SAUSAGE 1 lb.	26c
SPICED HAM, 1 lb.	35c
CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE, 2 tins	35c

BEEF STEW, 2 tins

JELLIED TONGUE, 12 oz. tin

35c

ELECTRIC SOAP FLAKES

5 pound box

68c

COMPANION COFFEE

3 lb. tin

\$1.50

QUAKER OATS

20-pound sack

95c

TEA—Fort Garry, 1 pound package

75c

CIGARS

White Owl, 10's

50c

HOUSE-OF-LORDS, 10's

\$1.00

LA PERFECTO, 10's

\$1.00

A gift for the boy friend

ROLLMOPS

7-lb. keg

1.45

HAM

Regular, whole or half

per pound

33c

Boneless, whole or half

per pound

40c

PICKLED PIGS' FEET

Per pound

15c

Per jar

35c

1-lb. package

3 for 25c

LARD

Per lb.

19c

PER BOX

79c

CHOICE MEATS

"FOR SAUCES AND GRAVIES USE CARNATION MILK"

TURKEYS

Grade A, per lb.

25c

Grade B, per lb.

23c

DUCKS

are expected in on

Saturday, and will

be a the

LOWEST PRICE

GEES

Per lb.

20c

CHICKENS

Spring, lb.

23c

Fowl, lb.

20c

BACONS

No. 1, whole or half

per pound

33c

SLICED

per pound

40c

NAVAL ORANGES

Blue Boy, small boxes

PER BOX

79c

These Specials are Good for Sat., Mon. and Tues., Dec. 21-23-24

Come in and Give Us Your Order for YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Including October, Sweden's merchant marine losses in the war total 89 vessels, totalling 185,000 tons.

Apart from war prisoners, 950,000 foreigners are employed in Germany and of these 550,000 are farmhands.

The British-American ambulance corps gave 25 American ambulances to Greece. They had been donated originally for shipment to Britain.

Sir Francis Newbold, 77, honorary professor of law at the Royal academy and writer on art subjects, died at his home in Devon, England.

An inventor exhibited a rocket motor at New York University which, he said, may revolutionize airplane speeds and give the United States world air supremacy.

British silver medals have been awarded to two Spanish seafarers for gallantry and humanity in rowing through a sea of burning oil to rescue survivors of a torpedoed oil tanker.

David A. Golden, Winnipeg, has been chosen Manitoba Rhodes scholar for 1941. W. L. Morton, chairman of the selection committee, announced Golden is in his fourth year at the University of Manitoba law school.

The new testament can be read in 17 hours and 40 minutes. That's how long it took 71 members of the Methodist church at McLouth, Kas., to read it from start to finish. They started at 3 a.m. Sunday and finished at 8:40 p.m. It's an annual custom.

Rubber Bits

The Merciful Man Will Be Merciful To His Beast

If one touches his tongue to a piece of steel in sun-baked weather he is unlikely to repeat the experiment of his own free will, says W. D. Albright, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Sub-Station, Beaverlodge, Alberta. Most persons remove their eye glasses when outside even in the dry cold metal painful to the bridge of the nose.

Horses, whether in spite of or because of their vegetarian diet, seem tougher than humans, yet it is not for nothing that poor Dobbins lays his ears when a bit far colder to the touch than ice is forced into his mouth.

If horses could talk, more consideration would undoubtedly be shown them. Therefore, they should be treated in the manner human beings would like to be treated if positions were reversed. Rubber bits are merciful. An alternative is a steel bit carefully wrapped with cotton or some good-wearing fabric, well fastened around the bit rings. If upon occasion an unwrapped steel bit must be put into a horse's mouth in a freezing temperature, dip it first into water to "draw the cold." Otherwise hold the bit and rings in the hands until warmed to 32 degrees Fahrenheit. "The merciful man is merciful to his beast."

Receive No News

German Soldiers In Paris Are Denied Mail From Home

Marion Dix, scenario writer, who arrived at New York from France aboard the Spanish liner Marques de Comillas, said German soldiers in Paris have been denied mail from home because some committed suicide when letters informed them relatives had been killed in British bombing raids. She added that many Frenchmen refuse to talk to Germans.

Gelata tribesmen of Siberia build boats that serve as sleds in winter.

MICKIE SAYS—

YES, SIR, I KNOW WE'RE IN TH' DOGHOUSE NOW, BECAUSE YER AD READ, "STRAWBERRIES, 1¢ PER BOX" ~ JUST A LITTLE MISTAKE~ BUT NOWV' KNOW FOLKS READ YOUR AD!



Used Centuries Ago

Italian Method To Check Desertion Is Old Roman Custom

"Decimation," the shooting of every tenth man, which has been resorted to by the Italians to check the flight and desertion of their soldiers in Albania, is an old Roman custom. About 450 years before the Christian era, the aristocratic Roman consul, Appius Claudius, surnamed Crassus, decimated the plebeians who refused to fight under him and fled before their enemies. But decimation has been practised in many countries in more modern times, sometimes as punishment for rebels, sometimes for cowards, sometimes by shooting only one man in each company (the tenth), sometimes by shooting every tenth man; sometimes by lot, sometimes by number in line. The tenth man in each company was shot when the Saxons mutinied against Blucher before Waterloo. Decimation was also undertaken by Lord Essex at Dublin in 1599, by the Austrians at Leipzig in 1642, and by the French at Treves in 1675.—Toronto Star.

Has His Seaman's Papers

Sixteen-Year-Old Boy Always Wanted To Be Sailor

Bobby Stapp, the lad who has a passion to go down to the sea, and did four times as a stowaway—now has his seaman's papers.

Now, 16, but just as snub-nosed and freckle-faced as he was two years ago when, in the space of five months, he stowed away on four vessels and travelled some 20,000 nautical miles, Bobby has graduated, with honors, from New York Merchant Marine School.

Bobby, who expects a berth with the Clyde Mallory Line, was ordered to attend the Marine School when he returned from an ill-fated cruise of the Caribbean. His travels took him to England, France and South America.

Plastics From Coffee

Discovery Of New Process Will Be Welcomed By Brazil

It may be that Herbert S. Polin will be blessed by Brazil, which has long been worried by the problem of disposing of its huge coffee crop. He has received U.S. Patent 2,207,069 for a process whereby green beans are ground and treated with a solvent to extract the oil, whereupon the linoleic and oleic fractions are taken out. These fractions, with the tannins, proteins and water-soluble materials, are remixed with the spent coffee grounds and heated to 300 degrees F. under pressure of 300 pounds to the square inch. A dark brown powder is obtained which can be molded at 350 degrees F. under a pressure of one to two tons to a solid piece to "draw the cold." Otherwise hold the bit and rings in the hands until warmed to 32 degrees Fahrenheit. "The merciful man is merciful to his beast."

Chose Specimens For Age

English Woman Collected 10,000 Buttons Which Had To Be Old

Ten thousand buttons keep Mrs. Bernadine Rathmell of Edinburgh, Ill., from being bored. She assembled them all in one year, chose her specimens for age and refused to take anything less than fifty years old.

"Lots of people collect buttons," she says. "Old ladies have told me how belles if the '80s used to string 999 buttons on a 'charm chain,' then wait for the right man to supply the 1,000th. Most women have the start of a good collection in their own sewing baskets. It's fun to get one old button, then search the country for a mate for it."

Turks Praise British Morale

Newspaper Says Peril Facing People Will Be Surmounted

"While Germany's morale dates only from 1934, that of England is centuries old and evolved from a complicated system of interwoven institutions," says the Tasvilekler Ankara in an interpretation of a recent speech made by the British Prime Minister, and then observes in regard to Mr. Churchill's words: "Such frank language shows the strength of British democratic spirit and the high level of the morale of the British nation in the face of the great peril with which it is confronted. Britons facing this peril will surely find a means of surmounting it."

If she scrubs, scourts, bakes, washes dishes, cooks, launders, irons and sews the census man will put her down as housekeeper—no occupation.

Lorraine gave France Joan of Arc. The Cross of Lorraine is on the flag of De Gaulle. It will take more than mass deportations to make Lorraine other than French.

Eagle Squadron

Viscountess Astor Says British Embryos Backed By United States Cannot Fall

In a speech to the Eagle Squadron of American volunteers in the Royal Air Force, Viscountess Astor declared that the "British empire, backed by the United States, cannot fail."

The American-born members of parliament predicted that the same 30 American volunteers now training for active service alongside British flyers would be followed by "thousands of others."

"America should know that it is really the greatest hour of trial in the history of the English-speaking people," said Lady Astor. "They may not know it, but it's their turn next."

Turning to the young Americans, organized into a volunteer air force by Col. Charles Sweany, Lady Astor exclaimed:

"I knew you would come. Thousands of young Americans are longing to get into this war. It is right that they should."

"As Sherman said, war is hell, but it is more terrible that the civilization we think is based on Christianity should fall."

Capt. H. H. Balfour, under secretary for air, also spoke to the volunteers at a luncheon, saying: "We hope your squadron will be followed by the formation of other squadrons impelled by the same motives and imbued with the same ideals."

He told the flyers they could be ambassadors as well as airmen" by spreading throughout the United States a first-hand picture of what Britain was doing.

Turning to the Battle of Britain, Capt. Balfour said:

"We are facing a new phase of the war in the concentrated attacks night after night, on munition and industrial centres . . . We must face the fact that front line war for the factory is here. We must and do accept the challenge which it entails."

"Please tell your fellow-countrymen in the United States, which is giving such invaluable and increasing help to our cause, that there is no limit to what we can face and accept," he went on. "Tell them that we accept the dark passages of war as well as the successful, and that to-day we are more determined and more certain of victory than ever we have been in the past."

Not Very Much Action

Trials Of French Politicians Have Not Yet Taken Place

What has happened to the famous Riom trials, where all the best-known politicians in France were to be condemned to death?

The French magistrature has been honest throughout its history. You have only to study events towards the end of the monarchy to discover that.

It is that the judges at Riom are honest in spite of Hitler?

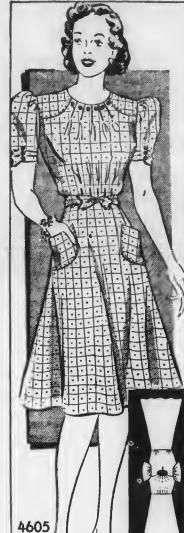
There's a lot of talk but little action. The latest demand of Nazi-written and controlled Petit Parisien is to bring M. Lebrun before the judges of Riom because he happened to be President of the Republic at the time France declared war on Germany.

But French people are beginning to clap when they see films of the damage that the R.A.F. inflict on their own Nazi-occupied towns.

Perhaps that is also a reason why the Riom legislature is slow—London Daily Sketch.

GAY, YOUTHFUL COTTON FROCK

By Anne Adams



4605

Doing your "homework" is FUN in a fresh and spirited frock like Pattern 4605. It has a young style and a gay-to-the-details detail Anne Adams features. The round neckline, curved yokes and tuck-and-trim trim are all decorative, yet so quick to do. See how the darts just add to the slimness and the graceful softness of the bodice. There are two sleeve choices: one puffed and tucked, the other a short, comfortable, optional peplum-style.

Pattern 4605 is available in misses' and women's sizes 14, 16, 18, 20, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42. Size 16 taken 3 1/2" x 2 1/2" inches.

Will all come—the rich, the great, The poor, and people of low estate, The old, the young, the simple, the wise.

Hail! Thee Lord of earth and skies!

Hush, my Baby, while I sing;

Angels whisper that thou art King."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 22

SHARING THE SHEPHERD'S JOY (Christmas Lesson)

Golden text: Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased. Luke 2:14.

Lesson: Luke 2:8-20. Devotional reading: Isaiah 9:6, 7.

Explanations and Comments

Our beautiful story calls for no explanations. Let us look at it through poets' eyes.

And there were shepherds in the same country abiding in the field, and keeping watch by night over the flock.

And an angel of the Lord stood by them.

And the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

As the angel said unto them: Be not afraid: for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people.

For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

And when he saw him with the angel and multitude of heavenly host praising God,

saying, "Glory to God in the highest."

And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased.

And they came with haste, and found both Mary and Joseph, and the

baby in the manger.

And when they saw it, they made known concerning the saying which was spoken to them about this child. And all that heard it wondered at the things which were spoken unto them by the shepherd. But Mary kept these sayings, pondering them in her heart. Mary's Lullaby:

"Hush, my Baby, while I sing;

"Angels whisper that thou art King."

—Marion Colman.

Utilizing Farm Products

Says Canada Lags Behind In Using Modern Methods

Mrs. F. G. Miller, of Hamilton, Ont., proposed in her presidential address to the Ontario Provincial Council of Women annual convention that the organization carry on an educational campaign in regard to wheat and cheese-frozen fruits.

"Here in Canada we are lagging many years behind the United States in general knowledge of modern methods of utilizing and preserving farm products," Mrs. Miller said. "Our legislators still think of wheat as food only, and jam as the end-all of early fruits."

She recommended that Canada's "great wheat surplus" be given to Great Britain. As to the future, "It is madness to suggest curtailing good acreage next year, with half the world starving. The war might end any day, and every bushel be required . . ."

"But supposing great crops continue—why is the production of power alcohol blocked in Canada? These questions need earnest study and councils should offer the women of farm and city a forum for exchanging viewpoints."

Minerals, chiefly copper, gold, diamonds, tin and radium, make up 64 per cent. of the Belgian Congo's exports.

Meteors are fragments that chance to survive when a meteor entering our atmosphere bursts from the increase of pressure.

MISSILES FOR HITLER



Shells being tested in a Canadian factory before the application of the copper driving band. Thousands of these are being turned out daily

Health League of Canada presents TOPICS OF VITAL INTEREST

by DR. J. W. S. McCULLOUGH
PASTEURIZATION OF MILK

Resolution passed by the Canadian Public Health Association at their recent convention at Winnipeg, urging that all provincial governments enact legislation that will result in compulsory pasteurization of milk with the endorsement of the Health League of Canada, according to an editorial in the current issue of "Health."

For many years the Canadian Public Health Association has endorsed the protective value of the pasteurization of milk. They point out that the practicability of pasteurization has been demonstrated in urban communities of 500 population or over and even in many rural communities on a province-wide basis.

The Public Health Association also passed a resolution urging that municipal and provincial health authorities appoint only certified sanitary inspectors for full-time appointments, and part-time appointments wherever possible.

Pointing out that the industrial effort of Canada must be maintained at a maximum for war purposes, the Association urged that employees in war industry be given the advantages of regular health supervision at their work, analogous in principle to that provided for the armed forces.

White bread provided about one-third of the nutritive requirements of the average Canadian diet, states another resolution, which stated that the Dominion Government be urged to take steps with the advice of its Council on Nutrition, to assure that the organization carry on an educational campaign in regard to wheat and cheese-frozen fruits.

"Editorial Note: Readers who send in a valuable set of articles on the Cause and Control of Cancer may obtain a copy of the pamphlet at no charge by writing to: The Health League of Canada, Dept. W.N.U., 111 Yonge Avenue, Toronto, Ont. Please say: 'Please send me Dr. McCullough's articles on Cancer,' and print your name and address."

Relief Of Hardship

Tea And Sandwich Canteen Carries On London

A form of enterprise for the relief of hardship in the poorer parts of London, and one which it is to be hoped will develop on a large scale, is the tea and sandwich canteen.

A fine example of this work is "Topsy's Canteen" on a densely populated area on the Surrey side. Miss Violet Markham started it "as an example to others" out of her own means. The canteen is near one of the largest London shelters and is open in the afternoon until dusk and opens again at 5 a.m. Women workers, mostly voluntary, spend all day cutting sandwiches, buttering buns and making tea. On their way to the shelter in the afternoon men, women and children flock into the canteen for a snack or to take some food to the shelter with them.

In the morning they come back for an early breakfast after a scarcely comfortable night. The food is sold at cost price, or less. A large mug of milk for the children, or tea or cheese or salmon sandwich, one penny—these are typical prices. The people cannot speak too highly of the canteen, which they say, has solved most of their food problems.—Manchester Guardian.

Special Badge Approved

The King has approved a special badge for members of the time bomb disposal squads. The badge is slightly larger than a half dollar and shows an orange bomb on a red background. It will be worn on the left sleeve between the elbow and wrist.

Ceylon tea planters have arranged to contribute a day's pay a month to a central fund for war purposes.

On the average, the English channel is calm 20 days of every month. A camel can take 15 gallons of water in one drink.

THE SMOOTHEST ICE CREAM

You Ever Tasted!

10¢ more
GIGANTIC
SAVINGS
per package

Made on Your Window Sill

It's just as easy as this—one package of Jell-O Ice Cream Powder, a quart of half milk—half cream; mix, put bowl outside on window-sill in a cool weather while it sets three times while freezing. That's all, and you have a bowlful of delicious ice cream, enough for ten or more generous servings. Your grocer sells Jell-O Ice Cream Powder in five favorite flavours, vanilla, strawberry, chocolate, maple and lemon. Order several packages now.



The Park Lane Mystery

By Edgar Wallace

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CHAPTER XXVIII.

Mr. Harlow's landed possessions were not limited to his pied-a-terre in Park Lane. He had a large estate in Hampshire, which he seldom visited, though he retained a considerable staff for its upkeep. It was known that he was the proprietor of a luxurious flat in Brighton, and it was generally believed that he had another in London he kept; another extensive suite of apartments.

Stratford Harlow was a far-thinker. He saw not only tomorrow, but the day after. For over twenty years he had lived in the knowledge that he was a reprehensible jester, and that there was always a possibility, if not a probability, that his supreme "joke" would be discovered.

He was at the mercy of many men, for only the mean thief may work single-handed. He had perfect control over people who must be taken—a little—into his confidence. But only one person knew the big truth.

His chauffeur, who knew so much, never dreamt the whole to Ellerton but had been a crooked market-rigger; to Ingle he had been an admirable enemy of society. To himself, what was he? That "joke" idea persisted; almost the description fitted his every action. When he had locked the grille on Jim he knew that the "joke" was on him. The machinery of the law had begun to move, and there was nothing to be gained by dodging from one hiding place to another. It was a case of flight or nothing.

He went to the foot of the stairs and whistled, and soon after Mrs. Edwins came into view with the tall, bearded man.

"Marling, I am going to take you for a little drive," said Stratford Harlow pleasantly. "You are at once a problem and a straw. You have almost broken my neck and I am grasping at you." He laughed gently. "That's a mixed illustration, eh?"

"Where are you going?" asked Mrs. Edwins.

He fixed her with his cold eyes.

"You are very inquisitive and very stupid," he said. "What is worse, you lack self-control, and that has nearly been my undoing. Not that I blame you." A gesture of his white hand absolved her from responsibility. "Telephone to Reiss to bring the car."

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Possibly he will telephone in reply that he is unable to bring the car. You may even hear the strange and authoritative voice of a policeman." Her jaw dropped.

"You don't mean?" she asked quickly. "Please telephone."

He was very patient and cheerful. He did not look at her; his eyes, lit with a glint of humor, focused on the uncomfortable man who faced him.

"I hope I've done nothing—" began Marling.

"Nothing at all—nothing!" said Mr. Harlow with the greatest heartiness. "I have told you before, and I tell you again, you have nothing to fear from me. You are a victim of circumstances, incapable of a wrong action. The port's were watched; detectives were on duty at the terminus of all airways. The flying squad was scouring London. The phrase seemed familiar. The flying squad from police headquarters spend their lives scouring London, and London seems none the cleaner for them.

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U.S. Marine Officer Comments On The Jervis Bay Encounter

An officer of the United States Marine Corps lifted himself half out of his chair and fairly barked the words at those who sat around him:

"What do I think?" he cried. "You can't think about such a fight as the Jervis Bay put up. You're just swallowed up with emotion and pride, mister, that there are still men among us who put duty above their own hides. It makes me sweat and tremble"—and he pounded his fist on the arm of his chair—"to think of that action. It was as fine a thing as I've heard of in 30 years of soldiering anywhere in the world . . .

"God!" And some people still talk as if Britain might lose the war. Lose the war—with men like that to fight with? There's as much chance of Britain losing the war as I have of spitting in Hitler's eye from this distance. They've got men, mister-men who know how to fight and have the stuff to fight with . . . I can't put into words what I want to say. Just picture it—the Plate, Dunkirk, the Altmark, Taranto, the Jervis Bay—man, on man—there, I say, is a nation! I'm proud to talk the same language . . . L.—L. B. Shapiro, writing from Washington to the Montreal Gazette.

National War Effort

Hunty Drummond, President Of Bank Of Montreal, Sees Need For Economy

While lauding the Government for following a policy of "pay as you go" as far as was considered possible, Hunty Drummond, in speaking to shareholders at the 123rd annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, declared that the gap between revenue from taxation and war-time expenditure was tremendous.

"So far as estimates are at present applicable to our expanding programme of production," the speaker said, "the gap is expected to widen in the current fiscal year to \$1,000,000,000 as was provided for in the Budget. This formidable total, which is nearly three times the normal peace-time expenditure, will be certainly enlarged by additional heavy war appropriations."

The magnitude of prospective expenditure imposed upon the public private citizens if we are to continue to avoid inflation. For the Government, all expenditures which do not contribute to the national war effort must be curtailed, and this applies equally to all public bodies in every field of administration.

Citizens are cutting personal expenses and will do so willingly as long as they can see that it will help to win the war. They have the right to demand, and they do demand, that Provincial and Municipal—shall also cut their peace-time expenditures to the bone so that we may conserve all our resources—none too great for the one object of winning the war."

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Professor Orin D. Madison of Wayne University, speaking of the important role science is playing in the regulation of human affairs made an important statement with respect to the press of the country. Newspapers, he said, are going to play an increasingly important part in the dissemination of information.

There is no dearth of opinion and statistics to prove the worth of newspaper advertising, and the value of newspapers in disseminating information on all subjects of interest and importance; which insures the future of the press as an educational and entertaining institution of first importance.

The mind learns with difficulty what has long been impressed on it. —Seneca.

Use your gifts faithfully, and they shall be enlarged; practice what you know, and you shall attain to higher knowledge.

Finally, education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is, at once, best in quality and infinite in quantity. —Horace Mann.

Was Custodian Of Abbey

The death of Sir Edward Knapp Fisher, 76, who as custodian of Westminster Abbey played an important part in preparing for the coronation of King George VI, was announced at London.

Bulgaria has produced about 4,000,000 pounds of silk cocoons this year, more than twice the 1938 production.

When they start building the gallows over in Europe, there should be a special one marked "For Pierre Laval."



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"There's no stopping your party if you play Jig saw High Jinks," mixes the crowd—and hilarity rules for the evening.

For this gay ice-breaker, write on large pieces of cardboard all sorts of crazy high jinks—“Kiss Two Blonds,” “Dance With Me,” “Sing a Song in Opera Style.” Then cut pieces in two, jigsaw fashion, and separate halves, making one pile for the girls to choose from, another pile for the boys.

On arriving, each guest draws a half-card, then searches for the one who holds the other half. When they are all matched, give each couple a copy to reconstruct the studio cards orders. Much laughter when when Joan kisses two blind Apollos or when Portly John goes wildly

Another lively game is "Shouting Proverbs." One guest at IT leaves the room; the others pick a proverb, and shout it. "Ring a Ring of Gypsies," "Mossy Moss." All on word to each group of players, who must shout this word when IT returns. From a weird medley of "No," "Stone," "Stone," and so on, many guests will get Oriental Fortune! Has stacks of stunts, ice-breakers, brain-teasers to keep the fun going from "Hello" to "Goodbye."

Send 15 cents in coins for your copy of "Party Games For All Occasions" to Home Service Dept., Winnipeg, Manitoba, U.S.A., 125 McDermot Ave. E., Winnipeg, Man.

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Ridge Cross Campaign

Saskatchewan Exceeds Quota Of \$200,000 By 25 Per Cent.

Subscriptions in the Saskatchewan Red Cross campaign have exceeded the quota of \$200,000 to date by 25 per cent., W. F. Marshall, provincial commissioner, announced recently.

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POPULAR CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Probably the best known Christmas carol is "Adeste Fideles," composed in 1700 and sung in Roman Catholic churches ever since. It was adopted in England in 1884 and sung in Protestant churches as "O Come All Ye Faithful." Among the more popular Christmas carols are "Silent Night," "Angels We Have Heard on High," "The First Noel," "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "St. Ambrose" is said to have written one of the first Christmas hymns in 340 A.D.

BETHLEHEM ONCE UNIMPORTANT

The city of Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus Christ, was considered less important than the adjacent Palestine town before the Nativity. But tradition has it that the birthplace of Jesus was desecrated by a pagan temple of Adonis before the Emperor Constantine built the Basilica of the Nativity in A.D. 330. The Basilica is one of the oldest churches in Christendom and has a history 1,600 years old. The original building is still standing but it has been altered by additions.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The carol was originally a joyous dance, a sign of liberation from the religious austerity of the Puritan era. It was brought to Percy Dearmer, writing in "The Oxford Book of Carols," he says:

"The carol, by forsaking the timeless contemplative melodies of the church, began the era of modern music, which throughout has been based on the dance."

Report of National Institute for the Blind

How many blind people are there in the Dominion of Canada? What do they do for a living? What kinds of things do they make? What recreational activities are opened to them? What is being done to help them?

Anyone interested in the answers to these questions or in any matter concerning the blind men and women of the Dominion would find the annual report of The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, full of enlightening information.

The report, which is the twenty-second issued by the Institute and covers the twelve months period ending with March 31st of this year, shows that there are now, in Canada and Newfoundland, 11,992 registered blind people. In serving this great army of handicapped people, the Institute is entitled to the support of every Canadian. The progress made by this great Canadian organization in the comparatively brief period of its existence has, as an examination of the annual report will show, been amazing.

There are 11,992 blind people in Canada and Newfoundland. This is the figure given in the annual report of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and is 940 higher than when the count was taken at the end of the preceding year.

In Ontario there are 3,559 blind people; in Quebec, 3,889; in the Maritime Provinces, 1,980; in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, 1,394; in Alberta and British Columbia, 1,446.

These are some of the figures taken from the 58 page annual report of the Institute. They are by no means the only interesting figures. During the year there were 664 blind men and women regularly employed by the Institute or in business opportunities operated by the Institute.

From the Institute libraries, 32,122 embossed books were loaned to 1,164 patrons.

A copy of the report is available at The Journal office.

YOU WILL REPORT!

(The American Magazine) This stirring message to the millions of young men who have registered for the draft comes from a widely known author, George S. Kaufman. He enlisted as a private in the United States Army during the World War and rose to the rank of major.

"You will report." That's the way the order reads. It tells you where and when. But the essence of it, and the thing that will make you blink, lies in those three short words: "You will report."

"Not 'Will you please report?' or 'possibly report,' or 'if convenient, report.' Nothing like that at all. This time it is not anybody being polite. It is the United States of America."

Twenty-odd years ago, I got an order like that myself. Even though I was ready to serve, I remember the shock of resentment when I read it. I didn't like being spoken to that sharply. Who were they talking about anyway?

But I did report, still vaguely resembling somebody or something that was bigger than I was. And, just like every one of the 4,000,000 American men who went into the World War, I bumped smack into a succession of corporals, sergeants, and lieutenants who began rubbing my nose in the dirt.

I took off because I was the only one I could see who was those guys. I asked myself privately, who were bossing me around and saying "You will" instead of "Will you?"

After about a month of being yelled at, I began to use the parts of my body that I had been carrying around over my eyes and under my hat. Who were these guys? How did they get that way? . . . The truth hit me with the kick of a 1903 Springfield.

One day I got a fellow who was tough. He resented having been drafted. He resented taking commands. He resented saluting. He just plain sat on his bunk in the barracks and wouldn't move.

Now, there are two ways for a company or battery commander to handle a bird like that. You can either let him go to a court-martial, which will give him from two to ten years in a federal penitentiary for refusing to obey orders. Or you can tackle him yourself. I tackled him.

I sat this guy down on a bench in our mess hall and snapped off my hat, with its black-and-gold officer's hat cord. He took off his hat, which was the same as mine, but his hair cut was red.

I said, "Take off your shirt."

He did, and I did. His shirt had round buttons on the collar. Mine had captain's bars.

He kept looking at me, funny. I imagine he thought we were going to have a fist fight. Then he said, "Take off your leggings." I unzipped off my leggings, which were canvas, and I took off mine, which were leather.

Then we stood up in our shoes and pants and undershirts. I said, "What's the only difference between you and me now?"

He said, still tough, "Nothing but our uniforms." They're the same, but they won't be the minute we put our hats or our shirts or our leggings back on again."

I said, "That's right. That's what I'm trying to tell you. I'm to myself, but, as far as you and I are concerned, I'm the United States of America, the most determined organization on earth. Every man in it can go as far as his ambition and his abilities can carry him. But no man is bigger than the Army or the country we're working for."

He kept on staring. I said, "What you don't realize yet is that this man's Army is the most determined organization on earth. Every man in it can go as far as his ambition and his abilities can carry him. But no man is bigger than the Army or the country we're working for."

All took a little time to digest all that I could see his face working, to reward him for it . . . He became one of the best sergeants I ever had.

I go back to myself as he was to tell you what you'll do.

You will report — and you'll like it.

A Stern Test

Scotland provides another good story. Little Jean one day turned to her mother, who was a widow.

"Mother," she said, "do you really and truly love me?"

"Of course, child," was the answer. "Why do you ask?"

"And will you prove it to me?"

"Yes, if I can."

"Well, then, go and marry the man round the corner who has the sweetie shop." —Halifax Herald.

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TANGERINE ORANGES—U.S.A. product, per box \$1.00

Fruit Cakes

FRUIT CAKES—Laced and decorated in Pyrex Dishes. Dish and Cake, each \$1.50 and \$2.50

ASSOCIATED GROCERS LTD



J. M. ALLAN

"The Store of Better Service" Phone 32

Season's Greetings

May Christmas bring you the Season's fullest measure of Good Cheer and Happiness. May you find the New Year a generous one in Health, Wealth and Happiness.

J. M. ALLAN and STAFF.

FAIR PRICES

Shop Early

Short Bread

SHORTBREAD—Shortbread Fingers, package 45¢

Shortbread Squares, each 25¢

APPLES

APPLES—Have a box on hand for Christmas. Romes, Macintosh, Red or Delicious.

We Have Everything You Need to Make Your Christmas Dinner a Success

VEGETABLES

PEAS—Green Lake, choice quality, 3 tins 43c

CORN—Green Lake, choice, Golden Bantam, 3 tins 40c

KERNEL CORN—Aylmer, Fancy Quality, 3 tins 29c

CORN NIBLETS—Green Giant, Fancy Quality, per tin 15c

BEANS—Green Lake, Yellow or Green, 3 tins 43c

DICED BEETS—Broder's Best, 3 tins 40c

PEAS AND CARROTS—Mixed, Broder's Best, 3 tins 40c

ASPARAGUS TIPS—Aylmer, Fancy, Green, tin 25c

CORN ON COB—Malkin's Best, Fancy, tin 30c

CANDIES

SUGAR OUR 2 Special Christmas Assortments, Lively Mixtures and All Fresh, 2 lbs. 65c

2 lbs. 58c

GANACHE'S CANDIES—Either Chocolates or Assorted, Special, 3 1/2-lb. Box 87c

MORI'S CHOCOLATES—Star Assortment, Special, 3 1/2-lb. Box 95c

ENGLISH MARZIPAN CANDY—Direct from England, lb. 45c

MINTS—After Dinner, per package 10c and 25c

MARSHMALLOWS—White or Toasted, per pound 25c

SALTED PEANUTS—Cello package, each 10c

SHELLED BRAZILS—Whole, Per pound 40c

NUTS

BRAZIL NUTS—Per pound 20c

PECAN NUTS—Per pound 25c

WALNUTS—Soft shell, Per pound 25c

FILBERTS—Large, per lb. 30c

MIXED NUTS—No Peanuts, 2 pounds 49c

NUTTY CLUB—Assorted salted nuts, per box 45c

PEANUTS—Fresh roasted, 2 pounds 25c

CHOCOLATES in Fancy Boxes 25c to \$1.50

CHOCOLATES in Cedar Chests \$2.25 to \$3.75

FRUITS

PEACHES—Malkin's Best, Sliced or Halves, 2 tins 38c

PEARS—Malkin's Best, Fancy Quality, in 25c

FRUIT COCKTAIL—Libby's Fancy quality, 2 tins 55c

FRUIT SALAD—Golden Areas, Choice, per tin 30c

FRUIT SALAD—Aylmer, Choice, per tin 25c

PINEAPPLE—Libby's, Long Slices, tin 25c

PINEAPPLE—Black Label, Sliced, Crushed or Cubes, per tin 20c

APRICOTS—Malkin's Best, Fancy Quality, tin 25c

STRAWBERRIES or RASPBERRIES—Choice, per tin 25c

We Still Have a Good Supply of

RAISINS - CURRANTS
PEELS - WALNUTS
ALMONDS - DATES
CHERRIES - GINGER
GROUND ALMONDS and ALMOND PASTE

Canada Dry Beverages

(Plus Deposit on Bottles)

Canada Dry Ginger Ale, per bottle 20c

Canada Dry Lime Rickey, per bottle 15c

Canada Dry Belfast Ginger Ale, per bottle 15c

Just Orange or Grape per bottle 15c

Cider, per bottle 35c, 95c

Tea and Coffee

MALKIN'S BEST TEA—Always Good, per pound 65c

COFFEE—Malkin's Dated, Fresh supply, per pound 48c

SPUDS

Poor Spuds are dear at any price. We have good ones. Alberta Netted Gems, graded No. 1, 100 pounds \$1.00

R.C. Netted Gems, 100 pounds \$1.25

PICKLES

SWEET OR SOUR, Heinz, Sweet, Mustard or Chow, bottle 40c

RIPE OLIVES—Per tin 30c and 50c

STUFFED OLIVES—Per jar 15c, 25c, 40c, 45c

KETCHUP—Heinz, 8-oz. bottles, 2 for 25c

14-oz. 2 for 45c

LEA & PERRIN'S SAUCE—Per bottle 40c

GOVERNOR SAUCE—Clarke's, Per bottle 20c

H.P. SAUCE—Per bottle 35c

CRUNCHIE SWEET MIXED PICKLES—Per bottle 25c

CRUNCHIE SWEET GERKINS—Per bottle 35c

MIXED PICKLES—Dyson's, Per jar 35c

SWEET PICKLES—Dyson's Special Pack 40c

SWEET DILLS—Dyson's, Half Gallon Jug 75c

TABLE FIGS—California, fresh stock, 2 packets 25c

GINGER WINE—Eamon's, Per bottle 35c

7 UP - 6 Quarts for \$1.49

2 Fancy Tumblers FREE. (Plus deposit on bottles)

Port and Cherry, bottle 35c

Temperance Wines

Shirriff's Pure Orange Marmalade

4 lb. Tin 65c

Shirriff's Pure Good Morning Marmalade

16 oz. jar 25c

Shirriff's Pure Pineapple Marmalade

12 oz. jar 25c

In a Spirit of Joy We Say---"A Merry Christmas"

A Thought For You

[T] is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the past year will be justified by the service we have rendered and that our service may be improved to warrant your continued good will through the years to come. To all --- A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Sam's Service Station

Everett Bulman, Proprietor

At Yuletide . . .

WHEN the Christmas candles are lighted, the ornaments all in place, we'll pause to thank you for your patronage and to wish you the Merriest Christmas, Happiness and Health.

Spic and Span Cleaners

Box 756

Fernie, B.C.

Christmas Cheer

AT this season we pause to thank our patrons for the assistance they have given us in the successful pursuit of our business and to assure them that we shall strive to serve in even more complete ways.

Hazuka Grocery Store

EAST COLEMAN

For Prosperity . . .

OUR wish for you, and you, and you—for all our fellow citizens in this Christmas season—is prosperity, happiness and all the good things of life.

Haysom's Drug Store

in the home you most desire

WE play an important part in the building of homes.

Excel Builders' Supply Co.

Wishes you a Merry Christmas

Yuletide Cheer

WE wish to extend our most sincere good wishes of Yule-tide cheer to our fellow-townsmen and to those strangers that may be in our midst.

Coleman Hotel

Proprietor

Best Wishes Once Again!

ONCE again the year rolls around to that season of good cheer and warm good will to all. When you have thought of all the good things which come to you this Christmas, double them and that will be our wish for you.

Coleman Hardware Company

Cheerio! . . .

WITH the snows and the crisp December days come our greetings for a Merry Christmas and a hearty cheer!

Crystal Dairy

WM. OLIVER, Prop.

F. M. Thompson Co., Blairmore

(The Old Reliable Pass Retailers)

EXTEND to their Coleman friends and all others in the Crow's Nest Pass hearty Christmas Greetings and express the hope that you will all enjoy happiness in the New Year.

PHONES 15 and 25



BLAIRMORE

Christmas 1940



Minister: Rev. J. E. Kirk,
B.A., B.D.

"PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD-WILL TOWARD MEN," is our fervent prayer, in these tragic days when the world over, the good intent Christians of unselfish and generous spirit, are suffering a sense of frustration and defeat.

Twice in a generation the forces of hate, unselfishness and greed have been unleashed and evil triumphs over good. The high idealism which fired the imagination and stirred the hearts of those who, on the ruins of the Great War, set out to build a city of their dreams, lies buried beneath the wreckage of their hopes. What expectation then that the results of the present war will be anything but a further descent into chaos and disaster? God forbid! But little wonder questions arise and men's hearts faint and grow weary.

Life more more must be seen in true perspective. For God's love is deep and everlasting. His purpose for us as for the sunrise and as eternal as the hills. He has not left us though we have left God. And now at this Christmas Season our thoughts and lives are caught up with Him, who gave to the world His only begotten Son, the Prince of Peace; and we turn with renewed faith and hope to our God of love and wisdom.

One of the loveliest incidents in all recorded history is that associated with the advent of our Saviour. It tells of the Wise Men, who travelled far and lay at the feet of the Christ Child, bearing frankincense and myrrh. These representatives of learning from the famed and fabled East brought of their most precious possessions that they might pay homage to the newborn king of kings. Ever since giving gifts has formed a major portion of our Christmas festivities. To be sure the custom has been corrupted and in a day of sensational advertising what has not?—but beneath the commercialism there must be something deep and real on which to capitalize. In this instance, it is the earnest and sincere desire of men and women to share with others.

When we think of Christmas our minds picture a child born to the special place that children have in our hearts at this time. Without the Christ child there would have been no Christmas, and it is essentially a season when we want to remember children and make them happy. Children, in fact, take so much of the stage at Christmas time that we sometimes forget that Jesus had a mother and she was the first Christmas was for her.

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You are invited to attend our Christmas Sunday services.

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SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD CAMPAIGN

Due to the heavy demands of its Auxiliary War Services for troops camps, both C.A.S. F. and N.P.A.M. provided at the request and under the direction of the Canadian Department of National Defence, the Salvation Army has found it necessary to prepare for a national drive for funds on March 10th to 10th, inclusive, spring.

The objective has been set, and approved by the War Services Department at Ottawa, at \$1,500,000. Quotas for individual communities and districts are now being worked out at national headquarters in Toronto.

Sir Edward W. Beatty, G.B.E., K.C., LL.D., president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has accepted the position of National Chairman for the drive.

Organization of district, or provincial, and community committees is under way. Voluntary committees of leading citizens for every city, town, and community across Canada will be set up before March 10th.

It was pointed out today by Salvation Army officials here that the drive had been made necessary only after all efforts to effect a combined campaign for all war service organizations had proven futile.

Reform of Miss Minnis

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also call you the "Heirens." They wonder why you do not spend more on yourself. They believe that you own many houses in Esquimalt and that you have plenty of money. They say that you do not want to associate with them—they are too young to know that many a person appears aloof when they are only lonely. Now I want you to come home with me. I want you and Anne to know each other. I want to hear more about you, and I would love to see your mother's paintings."

When Miss Minnis came in to work Monday morning she went over the speech to Billy. She was wearing a new hat. "It works," Billy said smiling, "I gave the speech and when you set off forces began to work just as you said. One of my tenants paid his arrears of rent. I even think I'm going to be able to sell my house. I'll be a new woman if I can get out from under that burden—I'm a new woman now. Today feels like Christmas Eve. And look at me, I want to show you that I've carried out all my directions"—she spread her hands towards him, every nail glowing like a neon sign on a rainy night!

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McGavin's Bakery

Bob Paton, Manager, Lethbridge

Bill Irwin, Blairmore

Good Will to All

CREAT good cheer, prosperity, health and glad tidings—we wish them all to everyone in this season of peace and good-will toward all men.

Idris Evans

METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY
BLAIRMORE
PHONE 266

Christmas Cheer

To our Customers and Friends we wish to express our appreciation for their business, and to extend hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Coleman Dairy

Jo Fauville, Proprietor.

For Happiness

O UR wish for happiness we extend to our customers and to all citizens throughout the Crow's Nest Pass.

Ironside & Park

"Dry Cleaners"
Coleman and Lethbridge

Best Wishes Once Again!

MERRY CHRISTMAS. These two words have behind them all our good wishes for your future and our gratitude for your many kindnesses to us through the years of the past.

Greenhill Hotel

Blairmore, Alberta



Good Fortune

GOOD health, great happiness and prosperity to all are the wishes we extend to all in this best Christmas season of many long years.

Walter Bobbitt

GROCERY STORE
WEST COLEMAN

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all

S. J. LAMEY

INSURANCE
FIRE, LIFE, ACCIDENT and AUTOMOBILE
Phone 103, Blairmore

For Health . . .

MAY you all have the great happiness and the prosperity that goes with the most robust good health.

Charles Nicholas



"Pop-Eye"

The Painter

wishes one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

J. W. Shield's Store
West Coleman

Stephen Janostak
Groceries
with the old, old wish—that you will enjoy a Very Happy Christmas Bright and Prosperous New Year

*Wishing You
A
Merry
Christmas*



*And a
Brighter
and Happier
New Year*

VICTORY is only possible if our people display that stoicism so well exemplified by the besieged people of the Mother Country, and if people are not only prepared, but willing to accept added burdens and responsibilities, and make greater sacrifices so that our cause may triumph.

"A Country Worth Living in is Worth Saving--Canada Needs Help" *LEND HER YOUR DOLLARS*

International
Coal & Coke Company, Limited

McGillivray Creek
Coal & Coke Company, Limited

Best Wishes Once Again!



For Happiness

OUR wish for happiness we extend to our customers and to all citizens throughout the Crow's Nest Pass.

Crows Nest Bottling Works
Phone 293, Blairmore

Mark Sartoris Proprietor

**Coleman
Town Council**



JOINS in expressing good wishes at this season to the Ratepayers of Coleman and trusts that everyone will enjoy the Christmas season in a spirit of friendship and co-operation.

FRED ANTROBUS, Mayor.
Frank Aboussafy, John Atkinson sr., John Balloch, George Ford, George Jenkins and James Kerr.—Councillors.



TO the retailers and the general public of the Crows Nest Pass, we extend the time-honored greeting, "A MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Plunkett & Savage
C. G. Cope, Manager, Lethbridge.
"Bill" Johnston, Blairmore.
Manager

Rev. John R. Hague's Christmas Message



But their minds were blinded; for until this day remained the same veil untaken away in the reading of the Old Testament; which was now done away in Christ. II. Corinthians 3: 14.

"Not To Be Opened Till Christmas" is more than a label. It is a good philosophy of life. We need to learn patience, waiting; not rushing into marriage, not trying to get rich overnight, not pulling children out of the gardens of childhood to suit parents' social ambitions. Wait until the right time.

Over the Old Testament is written, "Not to be opened till Christmas." It is only clear in the light of the New. The Bible is the cradle of Christ. The Babe of Bethlehem takes away the veil from the Book. More than we need law and author-

ity we need Christ. Christmas means law and leadership are not enough without forgiveness and consequent liberty.

Children obey "not to be opened till Christmas" because they expect surprises. The lesson of youth is to be with youth, to have faith that life is wonderful and to expect surprises. We forget God is near and available. The genius has forever the heart of a child. We need to return to the childlike heart.

Fond memory brings the light Of other days around me. Christ gives us once more the smiling heart of a child in a world of wonder.

Other men fold to thy heart thy brother; Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there; To worship rightly is to love each other, Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

Follow with reverent steps the great example Of Him whose holy work was doing good; So shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple, Each loving life a palm of gratitude.

Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangour Of winter war music o'er the earth shall cease; Love shall burn out on the baleful fire of anger, And in its ashes plant the tree of peace! —J. G. Whittier.

For Health . . .

MAY you all have the great happiness and the prosperity that goes with the most robust good health.



J. M. Chalmers
Jeweler, Coleman

With Heartiest Greetings

and all Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a New Year of Happiness to our Customers and Friends.

Sentinel Motors
R. D. Alexander & E. Salvador
Proprietors

Good Will to All

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The Motordrome
James Kerr, Proprietor



Christmas Cheer

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J. S. D'Appolonia
GENERAL CONTRACTOR

The Canadian Legion
Officers and Executive

— extend to all —
Hearty Christmas Greetings

Wm. Martland, Pres. Tom Rose, Sec.